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KEY POLICY RATES UNCHANGED

After its 3-day deliberations, RBI's Monetary Policy Committee kept repo rate unchanged at 4%

RBI Guv Shaktikanta Das said the decision was taken while "ensuring inflation remains within target"

Monetary policy stance remains 'accommodative' to revive growth and mitigate Covid impact

LTV RATIO FOR GOLD LOANS RAISED TO 90%

Maximum loan-to-value of loans against gold jewellery for non-agri purposes raised from 75% to 90%

It will be available till March 2021. The move will help households, entrepreneurs and small businesses

Earlier guidelines said loans against gold pledge should not exceed 75% of the value of gold

DOWNSIDE RISKS FOR ECONOMY

Covid-19 poses 'downside risk' for economy. RBI will use available monetary space to boost growth

Early containment of the pandemic could impart an 'upside' to the economic growth outlook, says RBI

According to RBI, the economy is facing unprecedented stress in an austere global environment

HEADLINE INFLATION TO REMAIN HIGH

Headline inflation is expected to remain elevated during the second quarter and may subside thereafter

Supply chain disruptions on account of Covid-19 persist, with implications for both food and non-food prices

RBI, however, did not give any range on inflation expectations

RBI pauses to take a hard look, offers balm for Covid wounds

Decides against rate cuts due to low credit demand; One-time restructuring scheme for corporate, retail borrowers; EMI moratorium unlikely to be extended

SUNITHA NATTI

IF banks and borrowers needed strength to bear the financial sorrows, RBI gave it all.

On Thursday, Governor Shaktikanta Das rolled out a one-time loan restructuring scheme, but only for obedient customers paying corporate loans, home, auto or other personal loans on time.

If you have opted for the six-month EMI holiday but missed one instalment as on March 1, you will still be eligible for the proposed loan recast. But two missed EMIs prior to March 1, makes you unqualified.

What do you get? A two-year moratorium and an extension of loan tenure as a bonus. The K V Kamath-led committee is working out the fine print.

Das also dropped the biggest hint that the ongoing moratorium ending this month may not be extended. In all, the scheme brings cheer for cash-strapped borrowers, while for capital-starved banks it leads to lower bad loans.

The RBI kept repo and reverse repo rates intact. Nobody was expecting a cut as headline inflation in June was above the central bank's 4% mandate. This saw the return of negative real interest rates after a 6-year gap.

Repo is now anchored at 4% and an additional reduction will take real rates deeper into the negative zone, which RBI doesn't want. So, it deployed an alternative policy lever, reverse repo rate, which was slashed by 155 bps since February. This is now the unofficial policy tool, but even that failed to nudge banks to lend.

Clearly, rate cuts appear futile at this juncture, so RBI opted for a do-nothing phase in this cycle. Though both rates are at historic lows, credit growth is stuck at a six-decade-low of about 6% implying that credit demand won't be influenced by any amount of cheap money. Aggregate demand is central to credit growth, which in turn is a precondition for economic recovery. Both have a bearing on inflation and growth, but RBI seems clueless about the next one-year.

Will national output shrink by 5-10-15%? Preferring to keep the estimate private, Das reiterated that FY21 GDP will decidedly be negative.

Food inflation will likely remain sky-high due to supply chain disruptions till next month, but will be back to its best behaviour later this fiscal. RBI may tame headline inflation, but food prices are impermeable to monetary policy actions. So all our bets are down to monsoon, rabi harvest and global crude prices.

As long as prices remain high and growth uncertainties persist, rate cuts will remain on the table and as Das said, will be used 'judiciously'. P12

LIFELINE FOR HOUSING FINANCE FIRMS, MSMEs

- NABARD and National Housing Board will get ₹5,000 crore liquidity each to support housing finance companies, small NBFCs and MFIs
- Extension of restructuring scheme for MSMEs first announced on January 1 will now be implemented till March 2021

Kodagu bears rain brunt, 5 missing in landslide

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru/Madikeri

Rescue personnel at Bramhagiri Hills in Kodagu district where five people went missing after a landslide on Thursday | EXPRESS

BRINGING back nightmarish memories of the devastating floods of July-August 2019, several parts of the state are again being battered by heavy rains, causing floods and triggering landslides. This time too, Kodagu is the worst hit with five persons, including a temple priest and his family members, going missing after a massive landslide swept them and their properties away, while a senior citizen died while crossing a river in Hassan district.

As rains continued over the last few days, many rivers are flowing above the danger levels, forcing people to move to safer places.

Responding to the situation, which is turning grimmer by the day, Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa, who is currently undergoing treatment in a private hospital after testing positive for Covid-19, directed ministers to visit rain-hit areas and supervise relief efforts. He has also assured of providing required financial assistance for those affected.

Revenue Minister R Ashoka and Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai reviewed the situation with senior officers.

In Kodagu, five people, including the chief priest of Talacauvery temple, Narayana Achar (70), his wife Shantha (70), brother Ananda Theertha Swami (87) and two assistants — Ravi Kiran (26) and Srinivas (30) — are missing after a massive landslide, originating at Brahmagiri Hills in Talacauvery, swept away two houses. Achar's neighbour had shifted out of Bhagamandala earlier, fearing a landslide. P5

NEW J&K L-G SINHA TO FILL 'POLITICAL VACUUM'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

FORMER Union minister and senior BJP leader Manoj Sinha's appointment as the new Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor on Thursday took many by surprise. However, sources say Sinha was handpicked for the job by Prime Minister Narendra Modi to fill the prevailing "political vacuum" in the Union Territory.

His appointment is seen as an attempt to win Kashmiri people's hearts. Sources said that the PM and the top leadership believe that Sinha, with his political as well as administrative experience, will be able to convey the government's programmes in a better manner to the Kashmiris.

He reached Srinagar on Thurday and will take charge on Friday after a low-key oath-taking ceremony.

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MURMU REPLACES MEHRISHI AS CAG

New Delhi: A day after resigning as the Lieutenant Governor of Jammu & Kashmir, former bureaucrat Girish Chandra Murmu was on Thursday appointed as Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG), taking over from Rajiv Mehrishi, who is retiring this week. "The President has been pleased to appoint Shri Girish Chandra Murmu to be the Comptroller and Auditor General of India with effect from the date he assumes charge of his office," a finance ministry notification said.

Department of
Health and Family Welfare

FOR KIND INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC

Shri B. S. Yediyurappa
Hon'ble Chief Minister

During the current COVID-19 pandemic, unfortunately some of the COVID-19 positive persons are succumbing to the disease. To ensure safe and dignified handling of the dead body, the following guidelines shall be observed.

Hon'ble Minister for Health & Family Welfare
Shri B. Sriramulu visiting COVID-19 Government Hospital

The dignity of the dead and the cultural & religious traditions of the families shall be respected and protected throughout

- The hospitals shall handover the dead body in a clean, transparent (head-end), leak-proof, zipper body-bag to the family members / relatives in the mortuary. If the family members are not able to do the last rites, the district authorities shall arrange for the last rites
- Personal precautions shall be followed by family, relatives and those handling the dead body
- Viewing of the dead body by unzipping the face end of the body bag (by the staff using standard precautions) shall be allowed for the family members/ relatives in the mortuary, hearse van and the crematorium/burial ground
- There shall not be any delay for any reason in handing over of the dead body. Hospital should not wait for COVID test results to handover the dead body
- Instructions are given to the drivers of hearse vans to handle the dead body in a dignified manner without causing distress to the family and relatives
- In suspected or confirmed COVID-19 deaths, either burial or cremation of the dead body can be done depending on socio-cultural and religious traditions of the family
- Advice family persons to take the dead body directly to the crematorium/ burial ground
- If the family is unable to cremate/bury the dead due to any reasons, then the local health / civic authorities shall arrange for dignified cremation / burial as per the religious traditions of the family
- Bathing, kissing, hugging, etc. of the dead body should not be allowed
- Rituals such as reading from religious scripts, sprinkling holy water and any other last rites that does not require touching of the body shall be allowed without opening the body bag.
- Those placing the dead body in the grave or on the funeral pyre should wear PPE Kit. Once the burial/cremation is complete, after removal of PPE, they shall wash hands with soap and water
- The ash does not pose any risk and can be collected to perform the last rites
- Number of persons during funeral/ last rites related gatherings should not exceed 20 persons
- For Medical Certification of Cause of Death (MCCD), it is not mandatory to mention that person died of COVID-19 unless it was the actual cause of death
- In deaths due to any other causes where COVID-19 is not confirmed or suspected, COVID-19 should not be mentioned either in cause of death or death certificate for any reasons

Do not stigmatise the deceased or their family. Let us ensure dignity for the deceased.

#KarnatakaFightsCorona

Health For All, Health Everywhere

HASTY MOVE

BBMP puts postal staff on Covid duty, backtracks

1,952 employees ordered to report to work

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

IN a bid to rope in government employees to help with Covid-19 management, BBMP recently ordered postal employees of Bengaluru region to report for duty. The move stunned the workforce, as a few had even received summons to work at hospital mortuaries.

Postal assistants, postmen and postwomen, totally numbering 1,952, are said to have received the summons over the past ten days, sources said. What's worse, higher officials in the postal department were kept in the dark, with messages sent directly to staffers to report for duty at different locations, or face criminal action. BBMP also created WhatsApp groups and posted warning messages on it.

The State is well within its rights to ask any individual, working in a State, Central or private organisation to join its workforce, under Section 56 of the Disaster Management Act 2005. BBMP invoked this when calling around 32,000 staffers across various departments to report for duty a fortnight ago, explains V Anbu Kumar, Additional Commissioner, Administration, BBMP.

"We have exempted the postal department now. We took the step only in the interest of saving lives of Covid patients," he added. Asked how they managed to get the contact numbers, Kumar said they had been drafted for election duty earlier. "The staff were only asked to report in zones close to their work places for convenience," he said.

Vandita Sharma, Additional Chief Secretary & Development Commissioner, said, "It was a mistake as postal employees come under Essential Services Act. Orders were passed today to exempt the department."

A few of the postal staff TNIE spoke to were terrified after reading the order. "We were randomly brought together on a group and asked to report. A few got scared and reported for duty. I approached my higher-up for clearance. Many panicked and exited the WhatsApp group," said an employee.

This sudden step created much tension, another employee said. "A few were ordered to report for duty at morgues of hospitals," he explained.

Meanwhile, the postal department is neck deep in work. With the State ordering it to open 65,000 postal accounts within a month for those who could not be disbursed social security benefits due to lack of verification, staff are racing against time. "A good number are quarantined after catching the Covid virus. The department comes under the Essential Services Act and cannot be summoned like this," explained a source.

EXPRESS READ

More services at KarnatakaOne centres

Bengaluru: RTOs have integrated a few new services with KarnatakaOne, like B-Extract of Transport Vehicles and Issuance of DL Extract, for the convinience of the public. Now, citizens can get vehicle owner's information (RC-Extract) about registered transport vehicles, as well as driving licence information through any of the KarnatakaOne centres spread across the state. For those who wish to sell their own vehicles, the document to be sought from the RTO is B-Extract. Citizens who also wish to get updates about driving licence information, the document required from the RTO is DL-Extract, which can also be sourced from any KarnatakaOne centre. **ENS**

Metro wheels still, but BMRCL rolls out safety rules

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

WHILE there is no word on when Metro services will resume, the Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Ltd (BMRCL) is putting all safety measures in place. Strips of yellow tape to mark spots for passengers to stand at its 40 Metro stations, as well as similar indications inside trains, have been pasted. On seats too, stickers are pasted to indicate the need to maintain distance.

Speaking to *TNIE*, A S Shankar, executive director, Operations and Maintenance, BMRCL, said, "We are fully ready and are putting everything in place. One six-car coach will be permitted to carry only 346 passengers in the future, less than one-fifth of the earlier strength."

Meanwhile, to ensure trains are in good shape, they are being run daily. "Two trains on the Green Line and two on the Purple Line are being run. We are running the 50 trains of Phase-I in rotation with the available staff," Shankar added.

Nearly 700 Metro staffers across all departments have been roped in for Covid duty by the BBMP.

Asked about the need to download the Aarogya Setu app, a senior Metro official said, "Yes, the app will be mandatory. This is in the interest of the safety of the people travelling, and their families."

BMRCL Managing Director Ajay Seth said, "Metro proposes to make the Aarogya Setu app necessary as a public health measure. A Writ Petition has also been filed in this regard."

The MD added that though the frequency of trains will be the same in the future too, they will operate only at 15-20 per cent capacity. "Only Travel Card payment will be accepted," he said.

Yellow stickers to maintain social distance inside trains, stations

Shankar said that doing away with tokens was a temporary move, which will be reintroduced after the situation returns to normalcy.

Asked if the state was seeking permission from the Centre to restart Metro services, a senior government official said, "As of now, no. We are not looking at starting them soon either. The number of Covid cases in Karnataka are on the rise. So chances of restarting services seem bleak."

KEEPING HUNGER AT BAY

With schools shut, a teachers gives a student a month's ration as part of the Midday Meal Scheme, at a government school in Peenya, on Thursday | SHRIRAM BN

Minister clears the air, says date for announcing SSLC results not fixed

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

AMID much confusion, Primary and Secondary Education Minister S Suresh Kumar denied reports that the Secondary School Leaving Certificate (SSLC) exam results will be announced on Friday. This statement comes even as word has gone around that the results are due for release on August 7.

The exams were held amid increasing Covid-19 cases, from June 25 to July 4, and students and parents have been eagerly awaiting their results.

In a Facebook post, Kumar said that the date for the announcement of the results is not fixed.

Senior officials with the department, who were also waiting for the meeting to be held earlier this week, are expecting results in three days.

A department source said that the delay in results, which were supposed to be declared in the last week of July, was because of the lockdown and the rising Covid cases. "Results should be out by Sunday," the source added.

Calls made to the SSLC Director came unanswered.

Kumar will make an announcement about the results date on August 7, said a top official.

Pay traffic fines online via newly-launched e-court

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE High Court on Thursday set up a dedicated virtual court for the smooth resolution of traffic violations cases and enable offenders to pay penalty online.

Inaugurating six e-facilities online on Thursday, including the virtual court, Supreme Court Judge Justice DY Chandrachud said the move would now require just one judicial officer to resolve traffic violations instead of six, and free up the other judicial officers for other tasks. The other five initiatives include the Inter-operable Criminal Justice System, e-filing at the high court, e-filing at district courts, website for commercial courts, an online application for certified copies, and online payment of court fee, process charges and copying fee.

Bengaluru is the sixth city to have virtual courts for traffic violations, after Delhi, Faridabad, Chennai, Pune and Cochin. These e-courts have disposed of 15.9 lakh cases and collected Rs 101.7 crore in fines in 8.34 lakh cases, while proceedings had been contested in 49,000 cases. The move had made it easier for people to pay fines through the e-Sewa Kendras attached to the courts, the judge said.

Justice Chandrachud, who is also chairman, e-Committee, Supreme Court, said 3,300 e-Sewa Kendras would be opened in courts across the country.

About 9.25 lakh cases have been disposed of via video conference across the country between March 24 and August 5, and in Karnataka over 72,000 of 1.36 lakh cases instituted had been disposed.

CRIME PETROL

Man kills wife soon after getting divorce

City police have arrested a man who allegedly murdered his ex-wife after they got divorced by mutual consent. Puttenahalli police said Kaleem Sharif (48) allegedly killed Nazneen (46) at their house in JP Nagar 7th Phase on Wednesday. Nazneen was found dead in the house on Wednesday. According to the complaint, Kaleem, an apparel store owner, suspected her of having an extra-marital relationship. ENS

Drug peddlars stab man to death

A 25-year-old man was stabbed to death by his friends after he tried to stop them from fighting over drugs. The incident took place in Nelamangala Town on Wednesday. The deceased Arun is a resident of Madanayakanahalli. The arrested are Syed (21), Imran (24), Salman (21), and Sujine (22). All of them were involved in drug peddling. A senior police officer said after stabbing Arun repeatedly, they chopped off his private part. ENS

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

07th August: Yesterday I spoke about the multiverse. Here's one piece of information I didn't give you. Some scientists believe that every time anyone of us makes a choice the universe spots that and becomes two multiverses. These then split again, when another choice is made, and so on, ad infinitum. What an amazing thought!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
It is said that although you were born a fighter, you have the heart of a peacemaker. In other words, although you naturally take command, you long for co-operation. Today is a good time to find it. It all looks very complicated though, so there really aren't any easy answers.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
It's an excellent moment to get on with work that has been delayed for too long. If you face a mountain of chores, don't despair. Start at the beginning and you'll be surprised at just how little there really is to do. It's all a matter of arranging everything in a logical order.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Mercury's challenge to your sign should be teaching you the value of what great mystics call non-attachment. In this case it is your attitudes and opinions which should be abandoned, even if you've held them since time immemorial. A little more belief in the future would come in handy!

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
Seldom have you needed so much guidance and support. You probably won't let on, but inside it feels as if much of what you have striven for is unravelling. It isn't, of course, but your feelings still cry out for reassurance. You should get it in the next few days.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
There are increasingly strong signals that you're about to receive a series of welcome invitations. Rather than sitting next to the phone, waiting for it to ring, though, how about getting the ball rolling yourself? You never know - you might get the response you're hoping for!

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
A superficial reading of your chart reveals this as an extravagant moment. On deeper examination what is revealed is that you are now well on the way to a remarkable breakthrough which could guarantee your security for a very long time to come indeed.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
One particularly encouraging aspect is setting you up for an emotional whirlwind. The main proviso is that you initiate new enterprises and adventures yourself, taking advantage of Jupiter's confidence-building influences. Also, keep a very close eye on cash opportunities.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
You will probably be completely unaware of what is being planned at home or within your family. At the very least you can afford to be the recipient of welcome generosity. What makes more sense to you, though, is the old adage that it is nobler to give than to receive.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
You'll soon be able to strike out on your own, mainly because you have your own ideas. You'll no longer have to pay lip-service to employers, or anyone in authority for that matter. The fact is that you probably know more than they do, so it's up to them to make the compromises.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
You should let it be known that any new financial arrangement must take your feelings into account. This makes for a complex situation in which debts of honour are as important as monetary ones. Plus, of course, there's the little question of a friend, who owes you a favour, to be considered!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
You hold a full set of emotional trump cards at the moment. Whether you choose to play them today or save them until next week is another matter, but in general it's a case of the sooner the better. In fact, what's good for you might just be good for others, too.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Secret feelings still seem to dominate your life, and deciding which way to jump may be putting quite a strain on your emotional reserves. Don't worry if you now have to sort out a major financial proposal - it should be fairly straightforward.

THE PHANTOM

HI AND LOIS

BEETLE BAILEY

BLONDIE

YOU GOTTA LOVE DVRS. I CAN FAST-FORWARD PAST ALL THE COMMERCIALS!
MM-HMM
THIS DOUBLE-DIPPING DELUXE IS A DECADENT DELIGHT!
WHOA! OR IN CERTAIN CASES... REPLAY THEM!
MEGA PIZZA

LOCKHORNS

"LORETTA AND I USED TO FINISH EACH OTHER'S SENTENCES... NOW SHE FINISHES BOTH OF OURS."

DENNIS THE MENACE

Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

SUDOKU

6		2	5		9			
					4			
9			3			6		
	6	8					2	
	9			7			5	
	1					9	3	
		1			5			2
			4					
			2		8	5		4

EVIL

- Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.
- Each sudoku has a unique solution that can be reached logically without guessing.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

2	5	3	8	7	9	6	4	1
1	9	4	3	6	5	7	8	2
8	7	6	2	1	4	9	5	3
4	2	7	1	5	3	8	6	9
9	8	1	4	2	6	5	3	7
3	6	5	7	9	8	1	2	4
5	1	2	6	3	7	4	9	8
6	3	8	9	4	1	2	7	5
7	4	9	5	8	2	3	1	6

JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

ENLRI

DOYDL

MRADYE

PXOEES

EMMA'S ANTIQUES
Let's head down and see what they have.
What a unique location.
THE ANTIQUE STORE WAS LOCATED IN THE BASEMENT THROUGH THE ---

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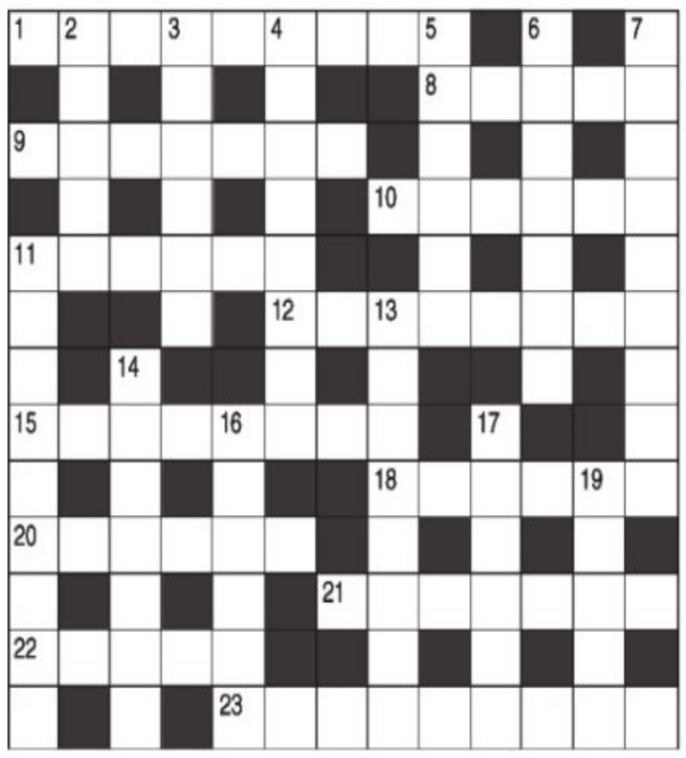
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Ans. here: " " (Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: OCCUR MACAW UNLOCK RUFFLE
Answer: After the teenager's party, his parents wanted him to clean up the — "WRECK" ROOM

CROSS WORD



ACROSS

1 What makes drips feel so pleased with themselves (4-5)
8 A ring in the nose as a halter (5)
9 Last we hear of some European language (7)
10 Money-making facility (6)
11 Partly wash large stone for building (6)
12 Nevertheless last (5,3)
15 Possibly had a nice estate in South America (8)
18 Almost none start before time (6)
20 Thin pointed weapon (6)
21 He won't stand for his instrument being played (7)
22 Less in sum possibly (5)
23 They will (9)

DOWN

2 Goes out of play (5)
3 Last point must be won by the champions (6)
4 Check the others have water (8)
5 Promise to take part (6)
6 Goes with any sort of posy (7)
7 Good breeding quality (9)
11 Many cheer the reformation of Satan (9)
13 A cross-section of the church (8)
14 Achieving success with the orchestration (7)
16 An extremely self-conscious person (6)
17 Village tragedy (6)
19 Light beam that's very strong (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Attests, 4 Black, 7 Need, 8 Arsonist, 10 Steady wind, 12 Sublet, 13 Proofs, 15 Monogamist, 18 Crossing, 19 Diva, 20 Sloop, 21 Engines.

Down: 1 Agnes, 2 The Derby, 3 Sprawl, 4 Brown bread, 5 Aria, 6 Ketches, 9 Idle gossip, 11 Dominion, 12 Seances, 14 Pounce, 16 Thais, 17 No go.

As many as 1,808 BSc nursing graduates cleared the online exams conducted under National Health Mission for selection of mid-level healthcare providers. The approved posts in 10 districts were 1,356

CM in hospital, Ashoka, Bommai lead the way in flood management

CM monitors rain havoc from hospital, asks district ministers to tour affected regions

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@Bengaluru

WITH Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa in isolation at a private hospital in Bengaluru, Revenue Minister R Ashoka and Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai are taking the lead in handling the floods in Karnataka.

Ashoka, who cut short his home quarantine after testing negative for Covid-19 on Thursday, called for an emergency meeting of Home, Revenue and Disaster Management departments to review preparedness, relief requirements and assistance for flood-hit regions across the State. Heavy rain, coupled with increased water release from dams in Maharashtra, have led to severe flooding and landslides in at least 10 districts in Karnataka. Heavy rain is expected to continue to wreak havoc for the next few days as well.

"Landslides were reported from Kodagu and Chikkamagaluru. V Somanna will visit Kodagu immediately and CT Ravi will rush to Chikkamagaluru tomorrow. I will also tour the affected districts for two days. The Chief Minister is monitoring the situation closely and has asked us to coordinate rescue and relief efforts," said Ashoka.

Yediyurappa on Thursday asked officials to compensate people affected by rain. At a meeting where ministers CT Ravi, Bommai, Somanna and Ashoka were present, it was decided to press more teams of civil defence, disaster management and fire and emergency service in the affected districts. Daily review will take place via phone calls and video conferences.

"The Malnad region was supposed to get 107 mm rain but received 277 mm rain, and coastal Karnataka witnessed 342 mm rain instead of the predicted 200 mm, and has resulted in massive damage and landslides," Ashoka said. He added that Belagavi, Chikkamagaluru, Shivamogga, Hassan, Udupi, Dakshina Kannada, Dharwad, Kodagu, Mysuru and Uttara Kannada will continue to witness more heavy rain.

"So far, four people have gone missing and five animals were left dead. The government has set up 12 relief camps across the State so far," Ashoka said.

Just out of home quarantine, Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai is back at work, attending a meeting on Thursday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

₹5 LAKH AID FOR THOSE WHO LOST HOUSES, SAYS CM

After incessant rain caused major damage, including landslides and flooding in several parts of Karnataka, Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa on Thursday directed officials to provide compensation to those affected. Yediyurappa, who is currently being monitored at a private hospital after testing positive for Covid-19, interacted with officials to assess the damage. A day after he directed officials to release Rs 50 crore as emergency assistance, Yediyurappa asked district commissioners to provide compensation of Rs 10,000 as assistance to families affected by rain and Rs 5 lakh to those with completely damaged houses. Officials have been directed to assess the extent of the damage and pay compensation.

FOR THE LEADERS

The faithful offer prayers and light candles for the speedy recovery of Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa and Congress leader Siddaramaiah, at Infant Jesus Church on Thursday. The leaders tested Covid positive earlier this week | MEGHANA SASTRY

Speaker to meet Law Min, Chief Secy on holding session

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SPEAKER **Vishweshwara Hegde Kageri** on Thursday held discussions with officials concerned on the preparations for convening the Assembly session before September 23, within six months after the last one.

Hegde said they are exploring various options, including conducting the session in the assembly hall of the Vidhana Soudha, by taking adequate measures like placing glass panels between the members' chairs, or holding the session on some other premises in the state capital.

Maintaining social distancing and other guidelines issued to prevent spread of Covid-19 have to be followed during the session. Apart from ministers and assembly members, a large number of officials will also be present in the House during the session.

The Speaker said that during the meeting, the officials suggested that face shield and mask must be made mandatory for all members, including the Chief Minister, ministers and the opposition leader.

The officials have been directed to get information about preparations being made by the Lok Sabha and other State Assemblies for holding the session. Speaker said he will hold a meeting with Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister J Madhuswamy and Chief Secretary TM Vijay Bhakar next week and take a decision on convening the session.

Transport dept cuts revenue target

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THE Transport Department has submitted a revised draft on revenue collection, reducing its revenue target to Rs 4,900 crore from Rs 6,617 crore, and the State government has reportedly accepted the draft, sources told TNIE.

The biggest sources of revenue for the State government are excise, commercial tax, stamps and registration and the transport departments.

From the Transport department, the government earns revenue from road tax, new vehicle registration fee, permit fee, pending taxes and fines, driving licence fee and inspection fee at check posts. However, due to the two-month lockdown, much of it dried up, and the State government is reportedly putting pressure on the Transport Department on the revenue front.

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> Transport Commissioner

Despite the hit it has taken, the transport department expects revenue to go up slowly. "People are likely to avoid public transport due to the Covid situation. So, there is an assumption that people will slowly switch to private vehicles to be safe. We can only hope that sales will improve over the next few months," Transport Commissioner N Shivakumar told *The New Indian Express*.

Vehicle sales across the State were not very much short of meeting the target when the lockdown was lifted in June, said Hemanth Kumar, Additional Commissioner for Transport. Although the monthly sales target was 1.3 lakh vehicles, June saw 92,000 vehicles being sold, even though there was a slight dip in that number in July.

"We had around 72,000 vehicles sold in July, considering that there was a week of lockdown. We should achieve target in August," he said.

The State government allowed an exemption in motor vehicle tax for goods and passenger vehicles for the months of April and May, amounting to Rs 350 crore. While there is a demand for the exemption to be extended until September, the Department said the payment can only be postponed for now.

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CORRIGENDUM

Please refer to our Sale Notice published in The New Indian Express & Samyukta Karnataka on 25.07.2020. All are informed that, **possession should be read as Constructive Possession** instead of Physical Possession, Except for Sr. No. 3 Munagala Srinivasulu. All other draft will remain same.

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No.KPCL/2020-21/EL/WORK_INDENT10276 Dated: 30.07.2020

e-TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through e-Procurement Portal only)

The details of e-tender for the below mentioned work of EE(CHP) E-2 division of RTPS published on 30.07.2020 in Karnataka Government e-portal **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** for the work of **Comprehensive Annual Maintenance Contract for Motorola make VHF Wireless sets of Coal Handling Plant.** Category: **Works.** EMD: **Rs.4,350/-.** Last date for receipt of tenders: **20.08.2020 up to 15.00 hrs.** All the relevant details of the tender is available in the above mentioned e-Portal. Any clarifications may be had from the office of the **Executive Engineer (CHP)E-2, RTPS, KPCL, Shakthinagar-584 170. Raichur (Dist.) Mobile: 9449598948**

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TRACKING COVID-19

The principal bench of the Karnataka High Court will be closed today for sanitisation due to increasing Covid cases. Judicial and non-judicial functions will be suspended.

5,602 NEW RECOVERIES

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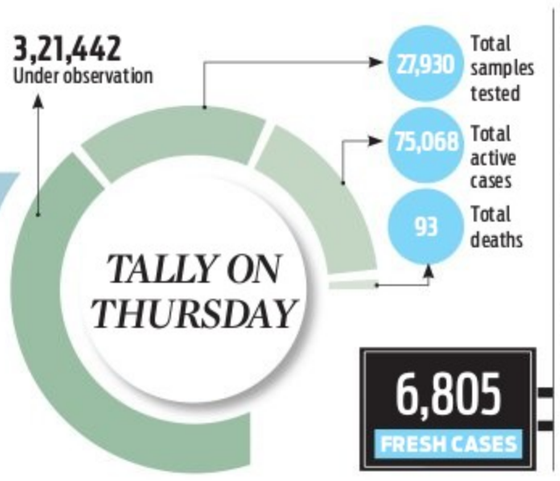

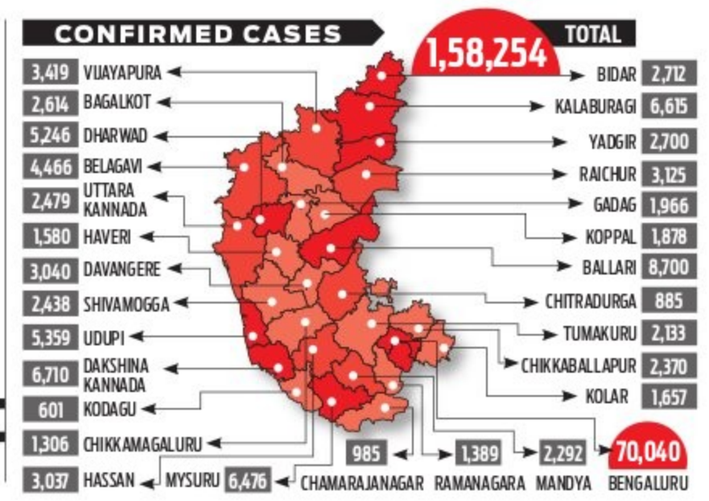

K'TAKA RECOVERY RATE UP BY 11.37%, B'LURU JUMPS 20.75%

Mortality rate low at 42 deaths per 10 lakh population; testing up to 16,000 per day

An ambulance driver repairs his vehicle while patients wait to be taken to the BIEC Covid Care Centre, on Thursday | SHRIRAM BN

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SHARING some positive news on Thursday, Minister for Medical Education Dr K Sudhakar said that Bengaluru's recovery rate jumped from 29.59% on July 30 to 50.34% on August 6 -- an increase of 20.75%. As per the graph shared, Karnataka's recovery rate was 39.36% on July 30, an increase of 11.37% in seven days.

On July 30, the number of total recovered cases was 46,694, which nearly doubled to 80,290 in just seven days.

"The death rate per 10 lakh population is least in Karnataka, compared to other places. Our state has 42 deaths per 10 lakh population, while Delhi has 204, Maharashtra has 134, Tamil Nadu has 58 and Puducherry has 42," Sudhakar said.

Comparing the same data city wise, he said Bengaluru recorded 121 deaths per 10 lakh population, the least compared to other metros — Mumbai recorded 529 deaths per 10 lakh population, Chennai 313, Pune 258, Ahmedabad 224, Delhi 204 and Kolkata 191.

BBMP Commissioner Manjunath Prasad said that a week ago, only 3,000 antigen tests were being done a day, but now the number has touched 16,000. "We have decided to test 10 times the number of positive cases. We have limitation of manpower, so we have daily walk-in interviews calling for final-year Science students, civil defence volunteers etc. We are adding mobile testing units to all 141 Primary Health Centres," Prasad said, adding that there are 700 ambulances.

With top health officials in talks with hospitals with more than 100 beds, the number of beds will go up from 3,300 to 5,000 soon, he added.

Zonal Commissioners are in talks with hospitals having between 50 to 100 beds. "In hospitals with fewer than 50 beds, it may not be feasible to set up Covid treatment wards immediately as they may lack staff. However, they should not take us for granted, and we are filing cases against owners under the Disaster Management and KPME Act," Prasad explained.

On Thursday, 48,421 tests were conducted, taking the total tests to 15,81,075.

Senior surgeon Dr Anjanappa said in a press meet that the state was a little late in acquiring herd immunity. "I request my colleagues in hospitals not to turn away patients at the gates and at least give them a place to sit, if one doesn't have beds. The bed situation was bad earlier but has improved in the past 3 to 4 days," he said.

GOVT QUOTA COVID-19 BEDS (AS OF AUGUST 6)

FACILITY	ALLOCATED	OCCUPIED	AVAILABLE
Covid Care Centres	4,276	3,346	9,030
Govt hospitals	661	469	192
Govt medical colleges	819	626	193
Private hospitals	5,217	1,427	3,790
Private medical colleges	4,172	2,944	1,228
Total	15,145	8,812	6,333

HAL gives 2 ambulances to Bowring

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IN the 11 Covid Care Centres set up by the government in Bengaluru, 20% beds are still vacant, and there are 939 unoccupied beds in the city, Medical Education Minister Dr K Sudhakar said. He was speaking during his visit to Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd (HAL) on Thursday, when HAL donated two ambulances to Bowring and Lady Curzon Medical College and Research Institute for Covid-19 patients.

Sudhakar told reporters that Karnataka has seen a spike in the recovery rate in the past week and the government will continue to enhance its efforts to contain the pandemic. He also advised people with Influenza Like Illness (ILI) symptoms to compulsorily get tested.

Meanwhile, the minister appreciated HAL for its contribution towards helping the government fight Covid. HAL donated the ambulances as part of its corporate social responsibility activity. In a press release, HAL CMD R Madhavan said, "They can be used for transporting patients who require medical monitoring while in transit, and non-invasive airway management."

The ambulances are equipped with an air-conditioner, basic life support system, analog oxygen delivery system, auto-loader stretcher trolley with floor mounting mechanism, HAL (human resources) director Alok Verma said.

Last month, HAL set up a Covid Care Centre, a 178-bed facility with supporting infrastructure, and handed it over to BBMP.

TOP CONTENDERS

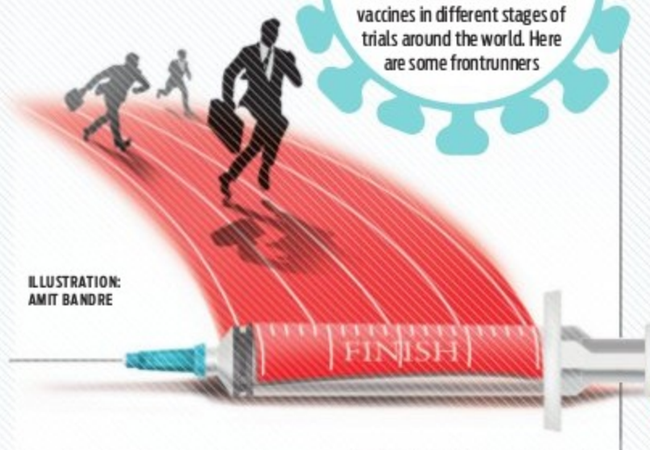
1. US-based biotech company Moderna began phase-3 trials of its mRNA vaccine on July 27, for which it will enrol 30,000 people. In May -- when phase-2 of the trials started -- the company announced that preliminary findings showed healthy subjects responding to the vaccine by producing 'neutralizing antibodies'. Reports suggest that by October-November, there should be more data available on the safety of the drug.

2. Oxford University, in collaboration with bio-pharma firm AstraZeneca, conducted phase-1 and 2 trials of ChAdOx1 in April, and is now in its final phase of development. Results of earlier trials were published in *The Lancet*, and suggested that the drug triggered a strong immune response. On Monday, the Serum Institute of India received approval from the DGCA to conduct late-stage human trials of the vaccine in India.

3. American drugmaker Pfizer collaborated with German biotech firm BioNTech earlier this year and developed BNT162b2, which has also progressed to phase-2/3 of its clinical trials. In July, Pfizer launched its 30,000-subject trial, after it announced that phase 1/2 trials of the mRNA drug produced antibodies against SARS-CoV-2, as well as immune cells called 'T cells'.

RACE TO THE VACCINE LINE

The race to find a cure for Covid-19 is getting fiercer, but the WHO recently warned that there is no "silver bullet" to fight the disease yet. There are over 160 different vaccines in different stages of trials around the world. Here are some frontrunners



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The Indian connect

Closer home, pharma company Zydus Cadila announced on Wednesday that its Covid-19 vaccine ZyCoV-D was safe and effective in early-stage trials. The firm started mid-stage trials using over 1,000 volunteers on Thursday, and hopes to complete late-stage trials by February/March. Bharat Biotech Limited has also completed phase-1 trials of its drug Covaxine, which is being developed in collaboration with the National Institute of Virology. While the Indian Council of Medical Research has pushed for all trials of the inactivated virus vaccine to be completed by August 15, experts have raised doubts over the small time frame being provided to test the safety and efficacy of the drug.

China moving fast, but prematurely?

Chinese company CanSino Biologics tied up with the country's military-backed research unit in March to develop Ad5-nCoV — a viral vector-based vaccine. Results of early-stage trials indicated a boost in immunity 28 days after receiving a single dose of the drug. While it was approved for use by the Military in June, debate surrounds the critical phase-3, as mid-stage trials indicated that the vaccine doesn't work effectively on people who have developed immunity to the human adenovirus, Ad5, used to make the drug. Now, phase-3 trials are in the works, and CanSino is in talks with other countries to broaden its testing pool. Beijing-based firms Sinopharm and Sinovac are also conducting late-stage trials.

WHO sends Russia warning

Russia claims it will be ready to roll out its vaccine, being developed by the Gamaleya National Research Center of Epidemiology and Microbiology in Moscow, by September. The Defence Ministry claims a final check-up of patients showed improved immunity and zero side-effects, and that mass production of the vaccine could start next month, despite phase-3 trials not having kicked off yet. WHO, however, warned the country to follow testing guidelines. By November, Russia plans on starting mass production of another vaccine.

COVID WATCH

SWABS FOR BOTH RAPID ANTIGEN, RT-PCR TESTS

Bengaluru: The state health department has made it mandatory for those testing negative for Rapid Antigen Tests (RAT) to undergo confirmatory RT-PCR tests. The department instructed that one nasopharyngeal swab should be collected for RAT and another nasopharyngeal and oropharyngeal swab for RT- PCR from asymptomatic people, in Viral Transport Medium. If RAT report is negative, the RT-PCR sample should be sent to the lab for testing. ENS

State records whopping 6,805 cases

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IN the biggest daily spike yet, Karnataka recorded 6,805 new Covid-19 cases on Thursday, taking the State's tally to 1,58,254 cases.

Bengaluru contributed 2,544 of these cases, putting the city's total cases at 67,425. Ballari stood second with 431 cases, Mysuru with 361, Shivamogga with 292 and Belagavi with 229.

As per war room data, Karnataka is taking 15 days to double cases, which is much higher than India's figure of 22 days. The positivity rate in the past seven days stands at 14.6 per cent for the state.

At least 93 people lost their lives to the virus, of whom 15 were from Bengaluru. While the State's mortality rate stands at 45.6 deaths per million population, four districts have recorded much higher rates — Bengaluru tops with 120.9 deaths per million, followed by Dakshina Kannada with 90, Dharwad with 88.8, Mysuru with 64.6 and Bidar with 51.1. The state's case fatality rate is 1.83 per cent, which is lower than India's at 2.1 per cent, and the recovery rate now stands at 50.73 per cent.

As per war room data, Karnataka is in eighth spot in India when it comes to number of Covid tests done per million population. Officials are testing 25,072 people per million population.

A healthcare worker wearing a PPE suit walks on the busy JC Road in Bengaluru, on Thursday | SHRIRAM BN

UPHILL TASK

BOOTH-LEVEL TEAMS FACE HURDLES

RANJANI MADHAVAN @Bengaluru

THE 8,154 booth-level committees, set up to micro-manage the spiralling Covid-19 situation in Bengaluru, has run into a now familiar hurdle — outdated lists and wrong addresses of people who need to be quarantined. The committees have been tasked with conducting surveys of vulnerable citizens, tracing primary and secondary contacts of patients and quarantining them, ensuring reverse isolation of senior citizens, among others.

Maria, a citizen volunteer from Shanatala Nagar, said they are getting lists of people who have to be home-quarantined, but when they call, they find out that the people have already completed their 14-day isolation period. "Names of people from Koramanagala and Vyalikaval are on the list for Shantal Nagar volunteers and, at times, there are completely wrong addresses. Data entry appears to be a problem. Overworked officials are entering wrong details," Maria said.

"We had online training in Kannada which several of us did not understand. Additions and deletions of names of primary/secondary contacts and travel returnees are not happening. The BBMP seems to have lost the plot," she rued.

Another challenge is the lack of volunteers to visit homes of Covid-positive patients. While many patients buy medical equipment and medicines themselves, many who are not able to afford it receive aid from BBMP.

Shiva Kumar, a volunteer overseeing 23 booths in Jaraganhalli ward, said, "We do not have enough field volunteers to visit the homes of Covid patients, give them free pulse oximeters and train them on how to use them. A sticker has to be pasted outside their house and helpline numbers need to be given to them." Kumar said they need 4-5 medical students, lab technicians and other volunteers in every ward.

Manoj Kumar Meena, IAS officer in charge of East Zone, said the problem of wrong addresses extends to Covid-positive patients as well. About 20 per cent of the addresses given by patients in the zone are either wrong or incomplete, he said.

"They give the address of their office, which is in the east zone, but their place of residence is elsewhere. We get these addresses from the ICMR portal. We need to find the patients so we can shift them to hospitals or Covid Care Centres, trace their primary and secondary contacts, etc. The police are roped in at this point and they are able to trace the patients in 80 per cent of the cases, but it takes 5-6 days," Kumar said. Booth-level committee members themselves testing positive while on frontline duty is another challenge, he added.

A senior IAS officer overseeing Covid management in the city said as soon as a person tests positive, they become reluctant to interact with government staff due to stigma and phobia and hence, stay out of the system. The government is trying to remove the stigma by conducting awareness campaigns. "The public needs to realise that if they don't give the correct address or phone number, we can't reach out to them to help. It is sad that the public is not co-operating on this front," he said.

Why sanitiser, N-95 masks not on must list, asks HC

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THE Central government must file an affidavit explaining why it excluded N-95 masks and sanitiser from the list of essential commodities, thereby allowing prices to be controlled by market dynamics, the Karnataka High Court said on Thursday.

A division bench comprising Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice Aravind Kumar said that a competent officer of the Central government must file the affidavit with regard to the exclusion of N-95 masks and sanitiser from the essential commodities list from July 1, as common people and not just doctors use them to protect themselves.

Referring to the Centre's stance that the government excluded them as there were no adverse reports from states regarding their availability or prices, the court said the Centre had taken a conscious decision. However, there was a drastic change in the situation after July 1, since the number of cases rose sharply, and with it, the usage of N-95 maks and sanitiser.

The bench also directed the State government to file an affidavit on three issues. First, the State must inform the court about the availability of N-95 masks and sanitiser, and whether there were any complaints regarding non-availability. Second, the State must place on record the difference in prices of the products depending on the manufacturer and lastly, the amount paid by the government in procuring N-95 masks for frontline workers.

Both governments must file their affidavits by August 17, the bench said.

KR Hospital gets ventilators, but lacks oxygen lines

AJITH MS @Mysuru

KR Hospital in Mysuru recently received 20 ventilators from PM CARES Fund, but the hospital may not be able to use all of them as it does not have enough beds with piped oxygen supply to install them.

The ventilators are part of the district's share of entry-level ventilators that are being provided under the PM CARES to address the requirement of life support systems among critical Covid-19 patients. They are in addition to the 15 advanced ventilators provided by the state medical education department as a part of Covid measures which also have met the same fate.

According to officials, the issue has cropped up as KR Hospital has only 100 beds with oxygen support which need to be plugged into the ventilator. And out of these, over 90 are already occupied by critical patients, and removing them from oxygen support would be life-threatening.

In addition, it is learnt that Mysuru's Covid hospital, which got 32 ventilators from PM CARES, is slated to send them to KR Hospital as they have 18 ventilators and cannot install more.

Despite the urgency of increasing the number of beds with oxygen support in the hospital, a proposal to install more oxygen lines with the construction of one more liquid oxygen plant has been pending for long.

Dr C P Nanjaraj, Dean and Director, Mysore Medical College and Research Institute, said that out of the new ventilators, five have been installed. Since they are facing a lack of beds with oxygen support, they are planning to install the rest at the under-construction trauma centre.

He said the proposal to add more oxygen beds at KR Hospital is pending due to delay at the state level in sourcing jumbo oxygen tanks and manifolds which are in short supply worldwide.

RAIN FURY SWEEPS GHATS, MALNAD

Rivers flow at danger mark; Downpour triggers landslides; Roads under water, traffic disrupted

The Lakshmana Theertha flows with full force at Chunchanakatte near Mysuru on Thursday | UDAYSHANKAR S

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HEAVY rain that started lashing the Western Ghats and Malnad taluks on Sunday continued on Thursday, causing severe damage to houses, bridges and crops.

Rivers overflowed in several parts of Belthangady taluk, snapping connectivity and causing minor landslides in Charmadi Ghat. The bathing point at Dharmasthala Sri Manjunatha Temple was flooded, and devotees were not allowed to venture into the river to take a holy dip. Heavy boulders rolled onto Charmadi Ghat road, but were cleared immediately. Belthangady tahsildar Mahesh J told *TNIE* that families living in low-lying areas at risk of landslides, were shifted to a government school at Mithabagilu village.

The rain brought down several trees in Charmadi Ghat, and the overflowing Mrityunjaya river brought along logs of trees fallen in the ghat, blocking the Antara-Aranapade vented dam-cum-road. However, water level in the river depleted by evening. Earthmovers were deployed to clear tree logs in Charmadi village.

The meteorological department issued a warning to fishermen not to venture into sea, with strong squally winds with speed reaching 50-60 kmph likely to prevail along the coast.

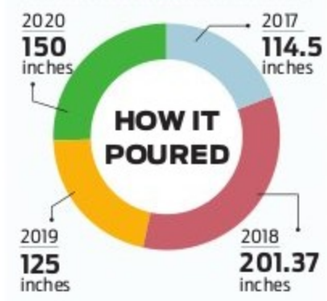
As many as 14 houses in Chikkamagaluru Kasaba hobli are either completely or partially damaged, with one house in Mudigere taluk collapsing. Luckily, there are no casualties. Hill slides occurred on roads of Samse, Kudremukh, Channahadlu and Hirebail. Uggehalli in Mudigere is under threat due to the overflowing Hemavathy river.

The administration declared a red alert in the district. Minister CT Ravi has directed the deputy commissioner to assess damage caused by rain and flood. Yagachi reservoir is filled to the brim following heavy rain in catchment areas.

ROADS, BRIDGES CUT OFF

While Kodagu saw a respite from continuous rainfall on Thursday morning, heavy rain continued to batter the district post noon. Water level in major rivers in the district reached an alarming state, even as road commute within the district was cut off. Three relief centres were opened in the district. Traffic across Bethri Bridge on Madikeri-Virajpet Road was halted, following flooding of the Cauvery. The Lakshmanatheertha river has flooded parts of South Kodagu, and Napoklu-Madikeri-Murnad road was cut off. The compound wall of Nalknad Palace in Napoklu collapsed due to continuous rainfall.

Cumulative rainfall at Bhagamandala-Talacauvery



*The figures represent the amount of rainfall that lashed the region between January and August

People clear the debris at a collapsed house at Ponnampet in Kodagu on Thursday | EXPRESS

NDRF to resume rescue ops today

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THE National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) had to stop rescue operations due to bad weather. Kodagu Deputy Commissioner C Annies K Joy said the operations will resume on Friday depending on weather conditions. "There are many minor landslides on the way to the spot," the DC said, adding that the flood situation at Bhagamandala was not permitting earthmovers to reach the spot.

Heavy rain between Wednesday and Thursday triggered landslides.

Bhagamandala Panchayat Development Officer Ashok said a notice was issued to the priest's family to shift out of the house, but they chose to stay back. On Thursday morning, when the Talacauvery temple staff went to check on Narayana Achar, as he had not reached the temple for the daily puja, they found levelled land and debris where Achar's house stood. Utensils, puja material and clothes were found nearly 2 km away at Cherangala.

In Hassan, Siddaiah (65) died while crossing the Yettinahole river near Sakleshpur on Wednesday. His body was found on Thursday.

The Hemavathi river, the lifeline of Hassan and Tumakuru districts, was flowing above the danger mark near Sakleshpur and parts of Arkalgud taluk. The residents of low-lying areas on either side of the river were asked to move to safer places. The heavy rains and landslides are likely to disrupt movement of vehicles along the Shiradi Ghat on the Bengaluru-Mangaluru national highway.

Heavy rains in Western Ghats led to rivers overflowing in some parts of Belthangady taluk, snapping connectivity and causing minor landslides in Charmadi Ghat, while a wall collapse inside Pernem tunnel of Karwar region of Konkan Railway, forced the diversion of Mumbai-bound trains from Mangaluru at Madgaon.

In Mysuru, due to heavy downpour in the catchment areas of Kapila, Lakshmana Theertha and Cauvery, water levels in the rivers continued to rise, triggering alerts in low-lying areas. Authorities have been alerting villagers in Hunsur on public address systems, asking those on the banks of Lakshmana Theertha river to be on alert.

A huge amount of water is being released into Krishna river and its tributaries from various dams of Maharashtra due to the massive rainfall in the catchment area on the interstate border. Standing crops on hundreds of acres of farmland across Belagavi's outskirts and Nipani region have been destroyed.

Holemalleshwara Temple near Sakleshpur submerged in Hemavathi waters | EXPRESS

RISING WATERS

- Kodagu recorded 6.97 inch (177.07 mm) rainfall from Wednesday 8.30 am to Thursday 8.30 am
- Kodagu received 51.13 inches (1298.78 mm) rainfall since January. Last year, the district received 40 inches (1016.13 mm) rainfall during the same period
- Dams are reaching maximum level in Dakshina Kannada. Water level in AMR Dam touched maximum level of 18.9m, and 8 gates were opened, while water level at Thumbe Dam reached 6.40mm, against the danger level of 7m
- Water level in the Nethravathi river touched 7.6m with the danger level at 8.5m in Bantwal
- High waves in the range of 3.5-5.7 metres predicted along coast from Mangaluru to Karwar

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to the intimation of General Public that, the JD Agreement dated 21-04-2016 entered into my client Vijayakumar, S/o Y. Krishna Reddy, resident of Tubarahalli Village, along with Century Silicon City, in favour of H.M. Constructions, a Registered Partnership Firm at No. 14, H.M. Geneva House, Cunningham Road, Bengaluru in respect of schedule property is cancelled by my client's Registered Notice dated 07-02-2020.

Anybody dealing with Century Silicon City or with HM Constructions in respect of schedule property shall do so at their own risk and cost.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of residentially converted lands bearing Sy. No. 43/3, measuring 2 acres situated at Munnekolalu Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk and bounded on

East by : Property bearing Sy. No. 43,
West by : Property bearing Sy. No. 42/4,
North by: Bengaluru - Varthur Road,
South by: Sy.Nos. 44P, 127 and 128.

K.T. DAKAPPA, Advocate
At No. 64/1, SM Plaza, 1st Floor, DVG Road, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru-560 004.
Date: 05-08-2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is hereby notified that, my clients **SRI.R.KIRAN KUMAR** AND **SMT.NIVEDITHA.G**, are intending to purchase the residentially converted land bearing old Sy.No.12, New Sy.No.19/2 measuring 1 Acre 1 Gunta (one Acre one Gunta) (converted vide official memorandum bearing No.ALN(S) SR10/96-97, Dt.25.03.1998, issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District) situated at Krishnarajapura village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk from its owners **SRI.MUNNA SHAW** and **SMT.SEEMA SHAW.** Anybody having any objections or claims of any manner whatsoever are called upon to approach the undersigned along with the documents in support of such claim/ objections, if any within 7 days from this date. In the event of no such claims are received, it would be presumed that, no third party is having any objections for my clients to proceed with the sale transaction.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE ADVOCATE:- **B.J. MAHESH,**
EESH & EESH ASSOCIATES,
ADVOCATES, NO.37, GMF- 4, BASCO COURT, GANDHI BAZAAR, BANGALORE – 560 004.
Mobile No.9845149302

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Smt. B. Deepa, W/o. late G. Chandra shekar, aged about 52 years, resident of No.538, 31st Main, 1st Cross, Banagirinagar, BSK 3rd Stage, Bengaluru-560085, while shifting her Office has lost Original Sale Deed dt. 31.12.1980 bearing Document No.1700/1980-81, Book-I, Volume No.1320 and Original Sale Deed dt. 17.02.2004 bearing Document No.ANK-1-14168/2003-04, Book-I and Stored in CD No.ANKD3, both registered at Anekal Sub-Registrar's Office, pertaining to Sy.No.146/1, measuring 1 Acre 36, situated at Muthanallur Village, Anekal Taluk.

Anybody having any claim or interest of any nature pertaining to aforesaid property and document, the said claims along with supporting documents shall be filed with the Undersigned within 7 days from the date of issue of this Notice at the address mentioned below. Any claim raised thereafter shall not be entertained or binding.

M. Nagaraj, Advocate
#102, 1st floor, Mariyannapalya, Behind St. John's School, Hebbal, Bangalore-560 024,
Ph: 9448087610,
e-mail: nagaraj.advocate@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients intend to purchase the below mentioned schedule property from Sri. S Thomas who claim to be the absolute owner in possession and occupation of the schedule property. Any Persons/ institutions or any person claiming any right, title or interest or claims over the schedule property may lodge their claims with documents with the undersigned within 07 days from today failing which my clients shall consider that there are no subsisting claims/encumbrances in respect of the schedule property and shall continue to deal with the schedule property thereto.

SCHEDULE

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL all that piece and parcel of property bearing site no 30,Mahadevapura CMC Khata No 315, property no 49, situated at B.Narayanapura, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, now comes under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore, measuring East to west 30 feet , north to south 30 feet totally measuring 900 sq feet & bounded on

East by : Site no 17
West by : Site no 43
North by : Site no 29
South by : 15 feet road

R. RASHMI SAGAR, Advocate
No.11/1, Ist floor Patalamma temple St, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-4. Bangalore,
Dt. 05.3.08.2020

⋀ AXIS BANK

No 45, Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Lalbagh Road, Bengaluru 560027,

POSSESSION NOTICE RULE 8 (1) (for immovable property)

WHEREAS: The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the AXIS BANK LTD, Under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act , 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued, a demand notice, dated **31.12.2019** calling upon the borrower viz... **1. Ms. Suma Vittalrao (Borrower)** No. 405, Dhanush Grand Apartment Dodda Kammanahalli, Bannergatta Road Bangalore Karnataka 560076 India. **And Also:** D/o Vittal Rao P R, No. 03 2nd Main Road, 8th A Cross, Near Punjab National Bank , MSR Nagar Bangalore Karnataka 560054 India **And Also:** Associate Director , Deal Berg Technologies No 72 And 73 2nd Cross , Sai Enclave Arekere Bangalore Karnataka 560076 India **And Also:** Site No 5 , Chikka Jalapapan Halli Layout Bangalore-562157. **2. Mrs. Gayathri Vittal (Co-Borrower),** No. 405 , Dhanush Grand Apartment Dodda Kammanahalli, Bannergatta Road Bangalore Karnataka 560076 India. **And Also:** W/o Vittal Rao P R, No. 03 2nd Main Road, 8th A Cross, Near Punjab National Bank , MSR Nagar Bangalore Karnataka 560054 India. **And Also:** Site No 5 , Chikka Jalapapan Halli Layout , Bangalore-562157. to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Loan A/c No. **PHR056102943631, Rs. 9,71,795.00/-** (Rupees Nine Lakhs Seventy One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Five Only) being the amount due as on **31.12.2019** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Act, read with Rule 6 & 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **04th day, August of the year 2020.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the AXIS BANK LTD, for an amount **Rs. 9,71,795.00/-**(Rupees Nine Lakhs Seventy One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Five Only) being the amount due as on **31.12.2019** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DETAILS OF MORTGAGED PROPERTY

All that piece and Parcel of the Immovable residential property bearing Site No. 05, present Panchayath Raj property ID No. 150200201300920168, khatha No. 12/05, carved out of converted land bearing Sy. Nos. 23 and 24 totally measuring 8 acres converted vide official Memorandum Nos. ALN(NA)(JALA) SR:11711-12 dated 03-04-12, ALN(NA)(JLA) SR: 118/11-12 dated 03-04-2012, ALN (NA)(JALA) SR:116/11-12, dated 03-04-2012, Situated at : Papanahalli Village, Jala Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk and the layout approved by BIAAPA vide order No. BIAAPA/TP1/LAO/03/2012-13/3405, dated 09-01-2014, layout known as " Papanahally Layout" and measuring East to West 9 Mts North to South 12 Mts, totally measuring 108.00 Sq Mts and bounded on: East : Site No. 04, West : Site No. 06, North : Private Property, South :9 Meters wide Road.

Date : 04.08.2020 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Axis Bank Ltd.**

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **State Bank of India, Bangalore City Branch** (00814), J.C. Road, Bengaluru, is considering grant of certain financial Assistance to **M/s Adithi Projects** a Partnership firm having its office at No 40, 3rd Cross, ACL Layout, Rama Murthy Nagar, Bengaluru, Karnataka, Pin: 560016. The said property belongs to M/s V.S.R. Shelters having registered office at No 15 & 16, 3rd Main, Vajpayee Nagar, Chikkalasandra, Bengaluru 560061. M/s V.S.R. Shelters and M/s Adithi Projects have entered into Registered Join Development Agreement which is registered as document No.VRT-1-03463-2018-19 and is stored in CD No.VRTD364 in the Office of the Sub Registrar, Varthur Dated 14.09.2018 and Registered General Power of Attorney which is registered as document No.VRT-4-00164-2018-19 and is stored in CD No.VRTD364 in the Office of the Sub Registrar, Varthur, Bengaluru dated 14.09.2018 for development of the Schedule property vide project name Adithi Emerald.

In this regard, it is found that the Original documents which are described hereunder, are lost/misplaced. M/s V.S.R. Shelters through its partner has lodged FIR with **Crime Branch Bengaluru City Police, Lost Report No.** 141863/2019 **dated** 21/07/2019 and **Lost Report No.** 141859/2019 **dated** 21/07/2019. The information was also published in two news paper namely Kannada Prabha, Kannada Daily and The New Indian Express, English Daily both on 23.07.2019 through their advocate SNR Associates. The said SNR associates has also certified that they have not received any claim on the Scheduled property.

Now, to secure the said credit facility to M/s Adithi Projects for the purpose of construction of project Adithi Emerald on the schedule property, M/s V.S.R. Shelters (Land Owner) and M/s Adithi Projects (Developer) intend to mortgage the entire Scheduled property and developer's share i.e. 72% constructed area, terrace, car parking area with 72% undivided share in the land comprised in the schedule property in favour of my aforesaid Client.

Any person having any claims/objections/any third party claims or interest on the property in which the apartment building (Adithi Emerald) is constructed/to be constructed or aginst the said mortgage of the Schedule property to be created in favour of State Bank of India, Bangalore City Branch (00814), Bengaluru. If anybody has any such right, title, interest or claims whatsoever over the Schedule property or any objections against the mortgage of the Scheduled property to be created in favour of my client, they are required to raise the same within **15 days** of publication of the said notice in writing and with supporting documents, failing which, no claim will be entertained after the said period.

Date	Description of the document
08.11.2013	Sale Deed executed by Shri Sajjanraj Anchalia in favour of M/s V.S.R. Shelters represented by its Managing Partners Shriyuths: L.R. Ravishankar and V.Shekar registered as document No. 5850 of 2013-14.
13.11.2013	Sale Deed executed by Shri Himanshu A. Rukhana in favour of M/s V.S.R. Shelters represented by its Managing Partners Shriyuths: L.R. Ravishankar and V.Shekar registered as document No.5924 of 2013-14;

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of land bearing converted Sy.No.66/4 old.Sy.No.66/1 Present BBMP Khatha No.555/Sy.No.66/4,01, totally Measuring 34 Guntas and converted Sy.No.66/5 old.Sy.No.66/1, measuring 16771 square feet (15.40 Guntas) and land, bearing Sy.No.65/1 measuring 5990 square feet (5.50 Guntas) totally measuring 22,761 square feet having Amalgamated BBMP Katha No.558/Sy.No.66/5,04, all the properties are situated adjacent to each other at Gunjur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, presently under the administrative jurisdiction Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and all the properties together measuring 1 Acre 14.90 Guntas or 59786 Square feet with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on the **East by** : Remaining portion of land Sy.No.66/5 and 65/1 belonging to Shri G.V.Nagaraja Reddy; **West by :** Land bearing Sy.No.66/3 and portion of land in Sy.No.65/1; **North by:** Road; **South by:** Portion of Land bearing Sy.No.65/1 belonging to Shri G.V.Nagaraja Reddy;

Bengaluru
Dated 05.08.2020

Sd/- **DEEPAK, Advocate,**
No.20, Padmalaya, 3rd Main Road, Arekempanahalli, 10th Cross, Wilson Gardens, Bangalore-27, Mobile: 9845109194

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client **Sri. Pradeep. A,** S/o. Amaresan. G, aged about 36 years, R/at. No.9, Lazar Road, Frazer Town, Bengalur-560 005, who is the absolute owner of the schedule property has lost the original partition deeds dated 18/12/2003 registered as document no. 37929/2003 in book I C.D.No.160 executed on between Smt. Rukkammal, Sri. Kuppuswamy, Sri. N. Jairaj and Smt. Ranjani registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Bengaluru North Taluk. While on transit and if anybody found out the same are requested to hand over the same to the undersigned and despite this public notice if anybody misuse the said original documents our clients will not be responsible and no person will get any right, title or interest over the property. In case anybody is in possession of the said document, the same shall be handover to the undersigned within **SEVEN DAYS** from the date of publication of this Notice. Further our client has registered a police complaint on 05/08/2020 in the Lost Report No.093647/2020.

SCHEDULE: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing **Muncipal Door No.60,** situated in **Muthukarapanapalya, Frazer Town, Civil Station, now known as No.9, Lazar Road, Frazer Town, Bengaluru-560 005,** measuring East by 31.5 feet, West by 29.5 feet, North by 47.5 feet, and South by 37 feet, bounded as follows:- **East By:-** Munigundappa's House, **West By:-** Muniamma's House, **North By** :- Conservancy Land, **South By** :- Kenchappa Road cross now known as Lazar Road.

H. T. JAGANNATHA, M. V. SRINIVASA REDDY, Advocates, # 89, 3rd floor, Sree complex Avenue Road, Bengaluru 560 053.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I-Ven Residential Properties (Mumbai) Private Limited, Registered Office: 10th Floor, Prestige Obelisk, No.3, Kasturba Road, Bangalore - 560 001.

EXTRACT OF THE RESOLUTION(S) PASSED AT THE EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF I-VEN RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES (MUMBAI) LIMITED HELD ON SATURDAY, MARCH 07, 2015, AT 02:00 P.M AT THE REGISTERED OFFICE OF THE COMPANY AT 10TH FLOOR, PRESTIGE OBELISK, NO. 3, KASTURBA ROAD, BANGALORE - 560 001:

APPROVAL OF THE SCHEME OF MEMBERS' VOLUNTARY WINDING UP OF THE COMPANY:

"**RESOLVED THAT** having regard to the discontinuance of activities of the Company and further having regard to the resolution dated January 31, 2015 passed by the Board of Directors and the declaration of solvency delivered to the Registrar of Companies under Section 488 of the Companies Act, 1956, stating that the Company will be able to pay its debts in full within 12 months from the commencement of the winding up, the Company having its Registered Office at 10th Floor, Prestige Obelisk, No 3 Kasturba Road, Bangalore - 560 001 be wound up voluntarily pursuant to Section 484(1)(b) of the Companies Act, 1956 and the consent of shareholder of the Company be and is hereby accorded for the voluntary winding up of the Company."

Date: 06-08-2020
Place: Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that our client, Altico Capital India Limited (formerly known as Altico Capital India Private Limited) (**'our Client'**) has valid right, title and interest over the development rights of Unishire Constructions LLP (**'UCLLP'**) in respect of the residential complex being developed by UCLLP over the property described in the Schedule hereunder (**'Schedule Property'**), including all built up area, together with proportionate car parking spaces and proportionate undivided right, title and interest (**'Mortgaged Property'**), by virtue of the mortgage created in favour of our Client by UCLLP (in its capacity as the joint development agreement holder and power of attorney holder) by way of equitable mortgage by deposit of title deeds vide an Amended and Restated Memorandum of Entry dated 14 June 2016, and registered as Document No. HLS 1-00990 – 2016 – 17, in Book 1, stored in CD No. HLSD 132 in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Shivajinagar, at Ulsoor. No other person or entity shall have any right, benefit and interest over the Mortgaged Property, either in whole or in part, without the knowledge and without taking prior written consent of our Client. This public notice is for intimation to the general public that our Client is the lawful, absolute and valid charge holder/ mortgagee in respect of the Mortgaged Property and any transaction entered into in respect of the Mortgaged Property without the knowledge and prior written consent of our Client shall be held as null and void. The general public is hereby warned not to deal in the Mortgaged Property and any person or entity dealing with the Mortgaged Property would do so at their own risk and responsibility (including criminal liability) and our Client shall not be liable in any manner whatsoever for any loss incurred by any person or entity on account of any such unauthorized dealing.

In light of the defaults committed by UCLLP, our Client is proceeding to, inter alia, enforce its security interest over the Mortgaged Property, in accordance with law, for recovery of dues amounting to INR 206,08,48,004 as on 22 June 2020 and interest thereon and other costs and charges till the date of payment. Any persons intending to purchase the Mortgaged Property in accordance with law may contact our Client at altico@alticocap.com for ascertaining the details of the Mortgaged Property and for inspection of the Mortgaged Property.

SCHEDULE: DESCRIPTION OF SCHEDULE PROPERTY

PROJECT UNISHIRE LAKSHMI VILAS KUMARAPARK

ALL THAT piece and parcel of immovable property being land presently bearing Municipal No 30 (PID No 77-80-30), earlier bearing Nos 30, 31/2, 30/2, 31/1, 31 and 30/1 (erstwhile No 6/1; subsequently renumbered as Nos 30 and 31) and situated at **V S Raju Road (Palace Guttahalli), Bengaluru, coming within the jurisdiction of BBMP, Ward No 77, totally measuring 14,347 square feet** and bounded as follows: **East by :** Private Property, **West by :** Private Property, **North by :** Private Property; and **South by :** Road.

Pradeep Nayak
Keystone Partners
Advocates & Solicitors,
2nd Floor, 35/2 Cunningham Road, Bengaluru – 560 052
Email: bengaluru@keystone.law
Phone: 080-41135813

Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MORT&H), New Delhi
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
National Highway Division, Dhanbad

Notice Inviting Bid

Bid/ Package no. NH/Dhanbad/04/2020-21Dated 05.08.2020

RFP for **Construction of ROB at Km-198 of NH-114A at Sapha (LC No. 20SPL/E) in the State of Jharkhand on EPC mode for the year 2020-21]under NH(O).**

The Ministry of Road Transport & Highways through [Chief Engineer, National Highway Wing, Jharkhand, Ranchi] is engaged in the development of National Highways and as part of this endeavour, it has been decided to undertake **Construction of ROB at Km-198 of NH-114A at Sapha (LC No. 20SPL/E) in the State of Jharkhand on EPC mode for the year 2020-21 under NH(O)** through an Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) Contract.

Road Construction Department, Jharkhand, Ranchi by its Chief Engineer, National Highway Wing, Jharkhand, Ranchi now invites bids from eligible contractors for the following project:

State	NH No.	ICB No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost(Crore)	Completion period	Maintenance period
Jharkhand	114A		Construction of ROB at Km-198 of NH-114A at Sapha (LC No. 20SPL/E) in the State of Jharkhand on EPC mode for the year 2020-21under NH(O)	36.67	24 Months	10 Years

The complete BID document can be viewed / downloaded from official portal of the CPPP website https:// eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app from **18.08.2020** (upto 11.00 Hrs. IST).

Cost of RFP Document – Rs. 10,000/- for work specified above shall be paid through Online Challan in the shape of Online payment on NTRP Portal – https://bharatkosh.gov.in/MinistryInfo.aspx. Bidder must submit its Financial bid and Technical Bid at https:// eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app on or before **18.09.2020** (up to **11.00** hours IST). Bids received online shall be opened on **24.09.2020** (at **11.30** hours IST). Bid through any other mode shall not be entertained. However, Challan, Bid Security, document fee, Power of Attorney and Joint Bidding Agreement etc., shall be submitted physically by the Bidder on or before **22.09.2020** (at **11.00** hours IST), will have to be deposited in the offices viz: Chief Engineer, N.H. Wing, Jharkhand, Ranchi. Please note that the [Ministry/Authority/ Executing Agency] reserves the right to accept or reject all or any of the BIDs without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Executive Engineer
National Highway Division
Dhanbad 826001

PR.NO.231483 Road(20-21):D

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A GOVERNMENT OF INDIA UNDERTAKING)
Bhopal Arera Colony Branch,
E 5/8-9, Arera Colony, Opp: Habibganj Police Station, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh 462016

SALE NOTICE

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF MOVABLE PROPERTIES UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 READ WITH PROVISON RULE 8(6) AND 9 OF THE SECURITY INTEREST(ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged / charged to the Secured Creditor, the Possession of property which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Canara Bank, Bhopal Arera Colony Branch, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh,** Will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **28.08.2020 at 12.00PM to 1.00 PM** for recovery of **Rs. 5,73,01,470.91**(Five Crores Seventy Three Lac One Thousand Four Hundred Seventy And Paisa Ninety One) as on **30.06.2020** with further interest and cost thereon due to the **Bhopal Arera Colony Branch, Madhya Pradesh of Canara Bank** from **1) M/s. Standard Alloys** HX 1 E-7 Extension Arera colony Bhopal **Prop: Mr. Shobhit Sharma, 2) Mr. Shobhit Sharma** S/o Sathish Nath Sharma, HX 1 E-7 Extension, Arera Colony, Bhopal, **3) M/s. Standard Electricals,** 1A Trugur Road, Kokkali, Thottam, Ondipudur, Coimbatore, **Prop: Mr. Satish Nath Sharma, 4) Mr. Satish Nath Sharma Hx 1E-7 Extension Arera Colony Bhopal 5) Mrs. Aruna Sharma: HX 1 E-7 Extension, Arera Colony, Bhopal,**

The Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **25.08.2020** at **5:30 PM** by the way of DD Favoring **Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, Bhopal Arera Colony Branch,** OR through online (RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer- **IFSC CODE CNRB0001471)** to the account number **1471296000001, Canara Bank, Bhopal Arera Colony Branch.**

Details of security	Reserve Price	EMD
Plant and Machinery at Site no. B-11 NGEF Ancillary Estate Mahadevpura, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560048	**Rs. 28,41,000/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakhs Forty One Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 2,84,100/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Eighty Four Thousand One Hundred Only**

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link **"E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com)** or may contact Manager, Arera Colony Branch Canara Bank, **(Ph. No 0755 — 2465350, 2428365, 2671130, 8989989119)** during office hours on any working day.

Date : 04.08.2020 **Sd/- Authorised officer**
Place: Bhopal **Canara Bank**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

BWSSB Branch,
10/1, 1st Floor, Rajdhooth complex,
Avenue Road Entrance, Bengaluru-560002
E-mail: br.0446@syndicatebank.co.in

Notice Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002

In respect of loans availed from Canara Bank **BWSSB Branch** Bengaluru (e-Syndicate) by below mentioned borrowers / surety / ies which have become NPA as mentioned below, we have already issued detailed demand notices under Sec.13(2) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 by Registered Post with acknowledgment due to you which were returned undelivered / Not Received by you.

We have indicated our intention of taking possession of securities owned by you as per Sec.13(4) of the Act in case of your failure to pay the amount mentioned below **within 60 days** from the date of issue of Demand Notices U/s 13(2) of the Act.

You are advised 1) to collect the original notice/cover addressed to you and returned / Not Received by you through Courier / Postal Authorities from the Canara Bank **BWSSB Branch** Bengaluru (e-Syndicate) for more and complete details and 2) to pay the balance outstanding amount with interest and costs, etc., within 60 days from the date of notice referred to above to avoid further action under the SARFAESI act.

(1) Borrowers: 1) Prakash K P S/o Parameshwarappa H, No. 316 A, 5th Main, 2nd Block, 3rd Stage, Basaveshwaranagar Bengaluru-560079 **(2) Smt. Latha Prakash W/o Prakash K P,** No.316 A, 5th Main, 2nd Block, 3rd Stage Basveshwaranagar, Bengaluru-560079.
Nature of facility: Housing Loan Account Number: 04467740000893
Limit: Rs.1,00,00,000/-
Total Outstanding Amount: **Rs.80,64,303.03** (Rupees Eighty Lakh Sixty Four Thousand Three Hundred Three and paise Three only) is due along with interest from 01.07.2020 and costs etc.
NPA Date: 29.06.2020 Demand Notice Date:31.07.2020
Description of Property: Property Bearing Flat -101 in the Ground Floor in the Building Known as Balaji Enclave-3 to be constructed in the Schedule A Property Bearing Municipal No. 34, PID No. 100-760-34, Situated at RMV, 2nd Stage, 4th Block, Sanjay Nagar, Bengaluru: Earlier BDA Site No. 34, 4th Block, Lottegollahalli, 2nd Stage, Raj Mahal Vilas Exetension, Bengaluru and Bounded : East by Flat No. 102, West by Road, North by Site No. 33, South by Site No. 35. Measuring 1650 sq ft super Built Area including Proportionate Common Areas and Facilities coupled with 500 sq ft of Undivided share in the Schedule A Property and one Covered car Parking in the Basement.

Date : 31.07.2020 **Sd /- AUTHORISED OFFICER**
Place : Bengaluru **CANARA BANK**

GRIHASHAKTI Fullerton India Home Finance Company Limited.

Office, No.21, 3rd Floor, Raja Glitz, K.H. Road, Bangalore –560027

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 READ WITH PROVISO TO RULE 8 (6) AND 9(1) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Fullerton India Home Finance Company Limited/Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 26/8/2020 at 11:00 am to 01:00 pm (with unlimited extensions of 5 minute each), for recovery of Rs.76,26,217.59 (Seventy Six Lakhs Twenty Six Thousand Two Hundred Seventeen and Paise Fifty Nine Only)) due as on 4th September 2019 due to the Fullerton India Home Finance Company Limited/Secured Creditor from the Borrowers namely 1. 1.Mrs. DEEPA S ,2. Mr. SUDHINDRA KS ,3. SHREYAS BOUTIQUE, The reserve price will be Rs.52,00,000/-, (Rupees Fifty Two Lakhs Only), and the earnest money deposit will be Rs.5,20,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs Twenty Thousand Only) Incremental Value Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand Only)

DETAILS OF MORTGAGED IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the 3 Bed rooms Apartment bearing No. D-901, in Ninth Floor of the Building "TIVOLI" Having built up area of 1865 Sq.ft, along with proportionate undivided share, right, title, interest in the converted land bearing Sy.no.118(3 Acres) and 119 (1 Acres 15 Guntas), Khata No.120 of Seegehalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, now under the limit of Seegehalli Village Panchayat, Measuring 4 Acres 15 Guntas, and bounded on the : East By : 6th Block of Sy. No.118, West By : 3rd Block of Sy. No.118, North By : Road and South By: Private Land and remaining Portion of Sy.No. 118.

Within the Registration District of Bangalore and sub Registration office at Banaswadi.

Detailed terms and conditions of the sale, Please refer to the Link provided on the website of the Secured Creditor i.e., www. Grihashakti.com.

The Intending Bidders can also contact Mr.Rahul Raje on mobile No.– 7619183645/7348871575 and Email id: Rahul.Raje@fullertonindia.com.

Date: 07.08.2020 **Sd/- Authorised Officer,**
Place: Bangalore **For Fullerton India Home Finance Company Limited.**

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GOLD AUCTION NOTICE

The borrowers, in specific and the public, in general, are hereby notified that public auction of the gold ornaments pledged in the below accounts is proposed to be conducted at the following branches on 25/ 08/ 2020 from 10.00 am onwards. The auction is of the gold ornaments of defaulted customers who have failed to make payment of their loan amount despite being notified by registered letters. Unauctioned items shall be auctioned on any other days without any further notice. Reserve price is fixed on the basis of market price of the gold on the date of auction or the 85% of the average 30 days IBJA rate whichever is higher. Change in venue or date (if any) will be displayed at the auction centre and on the company website . The details given below are in the order of Branch Name, Loan Number, Customer Name, Total Due Amount (in `) & Item Name

List of pledges:-

HASSAN, SAKALESHPURA, 115430700037700, SURESH K, 3600/-, DROPS 2, 115430700040195, SHIVANNA, 8000/-, STUD 2, 0559, M G GANGARAJU, 10400/-, FINGER RINGS 3, 0760, GOWRAMMA, 6098/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 2389, LOKESH, 4500/-, STUD 2, 2601, SUNIL SHETTY, 6000/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 2615, DINESH H K, 7000/-, STUD 2, 2842, AKASH H J, 7000/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 4237, MADUHUSUDHAN AK, 5000/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 4238, MADUHUSUDHAN AK, 6000/-, STUD 2, 4239, RAYANA, 11200/-, CHAIN 1, 4254, RAYANA, 15000/-, FINGER RINGS 4, 4342, MOHAMMED MUSTHAF, 14300/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 4462, RAJU, 24991/-, CHAIN 1, 115430730017488, MARY SHWETHA, 3100/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 7489, MARY SHWETHA, 6087/-, STUD 2, 7490, MARY SHWETHA, 14703/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 7491, MARY SHWETHA, 12489/-, FINGER RINGS 2, 7492, MARY SHWETHA, 29691/-, FINGER RINGS 4, 7798, SANTHOSHA A D, 32110/-, CHAIN 1, 7799, SANTHOSHA A D, 38733/-, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 2, SALGAME ROAD HASSAN, 111290700039768, S B VISHWANATH, 9000/-, STUD 2, 111290700040574, NANDAKUMAR H P, 13493/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 1056, MOHAMMED HUSSAIN, 8000/-, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 1, 1117, SYED SHAFI, 10500/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 1136, GIRISHA, 12500/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 1179, RAGHAVENDRA N.S, 29000/-, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 1, 1216, PRAMEELA H L, 27000/-, FINGER RINGS 6, 1308, PRAVEEN H P, 16396/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 1312, PRVINA S M, 22000/-, CHAIN 1, 1346, KAVITHA, 5958/-, STUD 2, 2384, SUDHAN M M, 69407/-, BROAD BANGLES 2, 2394, MOHAN KUMAR S H, 12800/-, DROPS 2, 2410, MANU V G, 45000/-, NECKLACE 1, 2440, CHETHAN KUMAR VC, 85000/-, CHAIN 1, 2461, VIJAYA, 22771/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 2552, SURESH KUMAR G S, 99999/-, CHAIN 1, 111290730004895, RAVI G C, 11597/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 5649, PRADEEPA V S, 14908/-, STUD 2, 7116, MAHESH M L, 9533/-, STUD 2, 7218, JAYASHRI K B, 25007/-, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 1, 7220, THOTESHA NAYAK, 36960/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 7250, AVINASHA H A, 12400/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 7326, MANJUNATHA D H, 80000/-, CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 4,FINGER RINGS 2, 7415, SIDDARAMA N, 44061/-, FINGER RINGS 2, MYSORE, SALIGRAMA MYSORE, 133290700016351, BASAVARAJU M N, 7323/-, DROPS 2, 6674, SAHEB ULLAKHAN M B, 8300/-, DROPS & STUD 1,FINGER RINGS 1, 7072, ABHILASHA A D, 94987/-, NECKLACE 2, 7465, ANIL KUMAR S S, 13886/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 7476, SUNILKUMAR N K, 11700/-, DROPS 1, 7630, SACHIN K R, 19600/-, STUD 6, 8297, ROOPA G R, 9300/-, EAR RINGS 2,FINGER RINGS 1, 8312, RENUKA, 8000/-, MATTI 2, 8338, MUKUNDA, 20950/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 8352, MEGHANA S J, 30000/-, BRACELET 1,FINGER RINGS 1, 8354, NAVEEN KUMAR M S, 14550/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 8378, DHANARAJA M K, 14000/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 133290730004718, RANJITHA S L, 31900/-, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 1,STUD 4, BANGALORE, SANJIVINI NAGAR, 116070700027658, BOPAIAH K.D, 10000/-, CHAIN 1, 7659, BOPAIAH K.D, 10000/-, CHAIN 1, 9481, PRADEEP M K, 17700/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 116070700031568, SUNEET KAUR, 3967/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 2163, GANGADHARAIAH B H, 10891/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 2298, RAKSHIT HC, 3000/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 3388, KOMALA, 28000/-, CHAIN 1, 3402, NARAYANA N, 8000/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 3460, SHANKAR G M, 17000/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 3477, DHANARAJ, 27500/-, CHAIN 1, 3514, RAMESH M, 19000/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 3523, VENKATESHA M C, 23000/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 3524, VENKATESHA M C, 85400/-, NECKLACE 1, 3574, SURESH N, 10900/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 3575, SURESH N, 11300/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 3576, UMADEVI, 39000/-, NECKLACE 1, 3606, RAMESH KUMAR.A, 34000/-, NECKLACE 1, 3610, NAGESHWAR RAO, 12000/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 3611, PREMA, 22500/-, CHAIN 1, 116070730010698, SHIVARAJU K, 49903/-, CHAIN 1, 2750, DHANARAJ, 12130/-, FINGER RINGS 1, MYSORE, SARASWTHI PURAM MYSORE, 109380700026176, HARISH KUMAR S, 10906/-, FINGER RINGS 2, 109380730007188, LOKESH S, 483783/-, BROAD BANGLES 4,NECKLACE 1, 7453, SIDDARAJU R, 65769/-, CHAIN 2,FINGER RINGS 3,STUD 2, 7456, RAGHAVENDRA S, 25555/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 7466, HRITHIK A D, 65705/-, CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 2, 7586, UDAYASHANKAR N, 70210/-, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 2,STUD 6, 7587, UDAYASHANKAR N, 98798/-, FINGER RINGS 7,STUD 8, 7588, UDAYASHANKAR N, 66148/-, NECKLACE 1, 7589, UDAYASHANKAR N, 110822/-, BROAD BANGLES 2,STUD 10, 7590, UDAYASHANKAR N, 97256/-, CHAIN 1, 7591, UDAYASHANKAR N, 81389/-, CHAIN 1,NECKLACE 1, 7596, SURYA, 5148/-, FINGER RINGS 1, BANGALORE, SARJAPURA BANGLORE, 118050700013266, RAMACHANDRA, 43484/-, BRACELET 1, 3601, NAVEENA KAUMAR SP, 82923/-, CHAIN 1, 4011, HUKMICHAND, 18000/-, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 2, 4572, RAMESH R, 27054/-, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 1, 4602, SHANTHA M, 9276/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 4603, SHANTHA M, 9125/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 4610, MANJUNATH V, 9000/-, CHAIN 1, 4637, NAGMA KHANUM, 7000/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 4651, SHANTHA M, 180200/-, BROAD BANGLES 2,CHAIN 1, 118050730005318, SRAVANRANJITH, 70506/-, FINGER RINGS 3,LOCKET 1, SEPPINGS ROAD, 110180700019801, KARTHIKA S, 32000/-, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 2, 110180700020378, REHANA BEGUM, 33000/-, NECKLACE 1, 0938, ANTHA ALLICE MARY, 25000/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 0940, ANTHA ALLICE MARY, 21420/-, FINGER RINGS 2, 0965, ASHOK KUMAR SHARMA, 31000/-, BANGLE 1,DROPS & STUD 2, 1030, FATHIMA, 5700/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 1039, ASHRAF HUSSAIN, 25621/-, NECKLACE 1, 1040, GOUSIYA BEGUM, 10700/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 1073, ASMA BEGAUM, 63500/-, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 1, 110180730004348, PRASAD B B, 12155/-, STUD 2, 4402, SUDHAKAR, 5327/-, STUD 2, 4640, ASMA BEGUM, 23965/-, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 1,

Persons wishing to participate in the above auction shall comply with the following:- Interested Bidders should submit Rs. 10,000/- as EMD (refundable to unsuccessful bidders)by way of Cash on the same day of auction. Bidders should carry valid ID card/PAN card. For more details please contact 9349442902.

Authorised Officer
For Manappuram Finance Ltd

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby informed that, my client- **Mr. Y. MADHU** S/o. Y. Madhavaraju, aged about 44 years, residing at Flat No.T1, 3rd Floor, Sai Residency, 15th Cross, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, Dasarahalli, Hebbal, Bangalore 560024, intend to purchase the below shown Schedule Property under a Registered Sale Deed from - **Mr. D.S.VENKATESH,** S/o. Sri. D.S. Srinivasa Rao, aged about 58 years, residing at No.633, 2nd Main, 2nd Cross, Opp. RBI Layout Water Tank, RBI Layout, J.P. Nagar 7th Phase, Bangalore-560078.

If anybody has got any share, right, title, interest & claim over the Schedule Property either in part or full, may kindly contact the under signed with relevant documents within 7 days, failing which my client will proceed for further transaction.

- SCHEDULE-

All that piece and parcel of Property Bearing Site No.155A, BBMP Katha No.600/10/3/155/A, Old Byatarayanapura CMC Katha No.560/10/3/155/A in the Layout Plan approved by the BDA dated 31/10/1992 vide subject No.450/1992 and the approval communicated to the society vide Letter dated 09/11/1992, bearing No.BDA/TPM/DDE/1254/1992-93 in several Sy.Nos.10/3, 10/4, 11/1, 11/2, 12/2, 12/3, 12/4, 12/5, 12/6, 13/1, 13/2, 13/3, 13/4, 14/1, 14/2, 15/1, 15/2, 15/4, 16/1, 16/2, 17/1A, 17/1B, 18/2 and 18/3, situated at Kempapura Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk formed by the Coffee Board Employees Co-Operative Housing Society Limited, named as **"Coffee Board Layout"** Bangalore, measuring East to West: 60 Feet and North to South : 51 Feet, in all measuring **3060 Sq. feet** and bounded as East by: Road, West by: Site No. 176, North by: Road, South by: Site No. 155.

PRASAD .D KAGWAD, Advocate
No. 18, Above HDFC ATM, Kodigehalli Main Road, Sanjeevininagar, Sahakarnagar Post, Bangalore-92. Mobile: 9739627478

PUBLIC NOTICE-AUCTION CUM SALE OF PROPERTIES

Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act,2002

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers and Guarantors that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Asset Reconstruction Company India Ltd (Arcil)** an Asset Reconstruction Company registered with Reserve Bank of India under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act,2002. Arcil has acquired from the banks / financial institutions mentioned below the financial assets and has acquired the rights of the Secured Creditor. The assets will be sold on on **"As is where is", "As is what is",** and **"Whatever there is"** basis as per the brief particulars given hereunder as per below mentioned schedule:

Sr. No	Loan Account Number / Name of Bank	Name of Original Borrower/Co-Borrower / Guarantor	Trust Name	Type /Size in / Nature of Property	Total dues Outstanding in INR (As on 29.07.2020)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in INR	Reserve Price (Rs.) in INR	Date of Inspection	Date and Time of Auction	Type of Possession
1	LSBGL00115 - 160000305/Indostar Capital Finance Ltd	**Agrocare India Private Limited / Karan Kumar C / Nagalakshmi Attanti**	Trust - Arcil- Retail Loan Portfolio-060-A-Trust	Land : 3050 Sq. Feet Const/Flat: 3167 Sq. Feet [Freehold]	3,80,65,357.60 as on 31/07/2020	20,00,000.00	2,00,00,000.00	17/08/2020	**09/09/2020 & 12.00 PM**	Physical

Secured Property Address: Item No.01: All the piece and parcel of Immovable Property bearing Site No. 69, Municipal No. 60 in the layout formed in Sy.No. 22 of Gangenahalli, Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Corporation Ward No. 98, Bangalore, measuring East to West 50 feet and North to South 40 feet and bounded on: **East by:** 30 feet road; **West by :** 30 feet road; **North by :** Site No. 68; **South by :** Portion of site no. 70. **Item No.02:** All the piece and parcel of Immovable Property bearing Site No. 70, Municipal no. 70 in the layout formed in Sy.No. 22 of Gangenahalli, Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Corporation ward no. 98, Bangalore, measuring East to West 50 feet and North to South 40+2/2 feet and bounded on: **East by:** 30 feet road; **West by :** 30 feet road; **North by :** Site no. 69; **South by :** 30 feet road as site no. 71 has been over run by the formation of 30 feet road hence is not existence. Pincode : 560032.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING AUCTION PROCESS

1	**Auction Date**	As prescribed herein above	5	**Last date for Submission of EMD**	Same day 2 hours before Auction
2	Place for Submission of Bids and Place of Auction in Bengaluru	Unit No. 305, 3rd Floor Kedia Arcade, #92, Infantry Road, Bangalore-560 001, Tel: 080-25598054/55.	6	**All payments including EMD to be made by way of Demand Draft payable at**	BANGALORE
	Bid can also submitted in online. **satheesh.r@arcil.co.in. shivashankar.ub@arcil.co.in. kamal.mishra@arcil.co.in.**	**(Online or in person depend upon Covid-19 situation)**	7	**Name in whose favour Demand Drafts to be drawn**	The name as shown in Trust Column against each property
3	**Web-Site For Auction**	**www.arcil.co.in**	8	**Time of Inspection**	**10.00 am - 5.00 pm (Note: Date & Time of inspection may be changed in view of Covid-19 situation).**
4	**Contact Persons with Phone Nos.**	**Satheesh R: 9738141146 / Shivashankar UB: 8073722285 / Kamal Mishra: 09819820760**			

*A bidder may, on his own choice, avail the facility of online participation in the auction by making application in prescribed format which is available along with the offer/tender document on the website address mentioned herein above. Online bidding will take place at website of organisation as mentioned herein above, and shall be subject to the terms and conditions contained in the tender document. The Tender Document and detailed Terms & Conditions for the Auction may be downloaded from our website www.arcil.co.in or the same may also be collected from the concerned Branch office of **Arcil** as stated above. Please note that sale shall be subject to the terms and conditions as stated in the Bid Document. Sale is strictly subject to terms and conditions incorporated in this advertisement and the prescribed Bid/Tender Document. The Authorized Officer reserves the right to reject any/all bids without assigning any reason. This notice is also to be treated as a notice under Rule 8 and 9 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002.

Date: 07/8/2020 **Authorized Officer**
Place: BANGALORE **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd.**

Arcil Premier ARC **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd.** **Corporate Identification Number: U6599MH2002PLC134884**
Registered Office: The Ruby, 10th Floor, 29 Senapati Bapat Marg, Dadar (West), Mumbai - 400 028, **Tel: +91 2266581300, www.arcil.co.in**
Branch Address: Office NO.305, 3rd Floor Kedia Arcade, #92, Infantry Road, Bangalore - 560 001, **Tel : 080 25598054/55**

The ACB trapped the chief officer of Chandapura Town Municipal Council in Anekal of Bengaluru while allegedly accepting a bribe of Rs 2.5 lakh. SA Ramprakash was arrested under the Prevention of Corruption Act and was produced before a court, an official said.

After Beirut blast, Chennai gets jitters

740 metric tonnes of highly imflammable ammonium nitrate sitting in Chennai Port

C SHIVAKUMAR @Chennai

AT a time when a massive explosion in Beirut shocked the world – caused by ammonium nitrate impounded six year ago and was lying in a warehouse -- it has come to light that a similar time bomb is ticking in Chennai. A whopping 740 metric tonnes of the same chemical substance, used for making fertilizers and explosives, is lying unattended in a container freight station in Manali for the last five years.

Now, with the issue causing alarm, the government has swung into action, and asked the Customs Department to safely disposed of the material. Sources say that on Thursday, the process was set in motion to e-auction the chemical, stored in 37 containers. A top revenue department official assured that the chemical was kept tightly packed.

"The Customs conducted a safety audit," the source said. "There is no residential locality within a 2km radius," said T Samaya Murali, Joint Commissioner of Customs. Sources told *Express* that the Customs Department has assured to dispose the chemical within a month.

Special team visits

Tamil Nadu Fire and Rescue Services visited the warehouse on Thursday. A senior police officer said he had gone to monitor the movement of consignments to a safer place and to look into fire safety aspects.

Government officials visit the container yard in Manali on Thursday | EXPRESS

SALVAGE EFFORT

As a last attempt to save his crops, a farmer picks up the soon-to-be harvested shallots after his field was water-logged following heavy rain near Coimbatore on Thursday. Incessant rain has hit parts of South India, including Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka | EXPRESS

'Cabinet to okay rules on trans people in police'

ENS @Bengaluru

KARNATAKA government on Thursday informed the High Court that it will place draft rules before the Cabinet for approval at the earliest, with regard to providing reservation for transgenders in appointments to be made in the police department.

Advocate General Prabhuling K Navadgi made this submission before the Division Bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice Ashok S Kinagi.

Earlier, the bench had asked the Chief Secretary and Director General of Police to explain why the law laid down by the apex court in providing reservation to transgenders is not considered, after hearing the PIL petition filed by Sangama, an organisation working for the upliftment of transgenders, and one Nisha Gulur, who is working for transgenders.

The AG said the Chief Secretary has informed him that the state is placing the draft rules before the Cabinet for approval to provide reservation for transgenders.

NIA claims Swapna has clout in Kerala police

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kochi

PUTTING the Kerala police in the dock, the Customs on Thursday said Swapna Suresh, one of the accused persons in the case related to the smuggling of gold via diplomatic channel, has considerable clout in the department.

The Customs said this in a petition it filed in the Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate (Economic Offences) Court while opposing Swapna's bail plea. "The petitioner has demonstrated that she is extremely influential in the corridors of power. She also commands considerable clout in Kerala police. There have been instances where the petitioner threatened others, taking advantage of her commanding position," said the Customs' petition.

The agency said Swapna was making clever attempts to escape the clutches of law. The court will consider Swapna's bail plea on Friday.

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) has also told the NIA Court that Swapna had a close connection with a top ranking state police officer.

The agency made the submission when the court considered Swapna's bail plea on Thursday. Referring to page 18 of her confession statement, the NIA submitted that she had a close connection with a highly-placed police officer and that the officer had assisted her in several instances.

Whether she received the officer's help in smuggling gold is being probed by multiple agencies. Neither the Customs nor NIA named the officers who were aiding Swapna.

Agency probing African cartels' link

The NIA is probing the links of African cartels with K T Rameez, alleged mastermind behind the racket. The agency on Thursday told the court that it suspects that Rameez has links with African drug and arms cartels. "We suspect that gold smuggled from the UAE came through these cartels.

DNA test to establish identity of Lanka don

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Coimbatore/ Madurai

IN a bid to determine whether the deceased man was Sri Lankan underworld criminal Angoda Lokka or not, the CB-CID special team has started the process of conducting DNA tests of the samples taken from his body.

CB-CID IG K Shankar said the special team has seized various documents from the houses of two of the arrested persons - Advocate Sivakami Sundai and Thiyaneshwaran - in Madurai and Tirupur respectively. "All the central investigation agencies are sharing information on this case with us. As this case has international links, it is necessary to share information with other agencies and it is a usual procedure," he said. When asked whether officials of Research and Analysis Wing (RAW) and CB-CID had a meeting in connection with the case, Shankar said, it's a usual thing.

According to an official, the RAW team was in Coimbatore on Wednesday and held discussions with CB-CID Inspector General of Police, K Shankar and other senior officials.

Meanwhile, police sources said that they had only confession statements of the three arrested persons to prove that the dead man was Lokka.

Meanwhile, the main suspect in the case Amani Dhanji (27), girlfriend of Lokka, who was admitted to Coimbatore Medical College Hospital due to miscarriage was issued a discharge summary on Thursday.

Ishwarya holds a "thank you" placard at Chennai airport | EXPRESS

K'taka girl stuck in Philippines returns home

ENS @ Chikkamagaluru

FORMER adviser to the Ministry of Overseas Indians, Arathi Krishna, helped a medical student from Chikkamagaluru, who was stuck in Cebu in the Philippines, return home. So far, she has helped around 40,000 stranded expatriates from coastal regions and Chikkamagaluru working in Gulf countries reach home.

Ishwarya, daughter of Satyapal, a coffee planter, was pursuing MBBS at a college in Cebu. She landed at Chennai airport on August 1 and, after three days of quarantine, she finally reached home in Chikkamagaluru.

When the Covid-19 pandemic started spreading in the Philippines in June, Ishwarya's parents were worried about their daughter's condition. Satyapal made various attempts and contacted national leaders from Karanataka to help his daughter, but in vain. Finally, he was able to contact Arathi Krishna, daughter of former Congress minister Begane Ramaiah, with the help of former ZP president B L Ramdas.

Arathi Krishna, who has been helping expatriates return home, contacted the Indian ambassador and arranged for a seat for Ishwrya on a Chennai-bound flight.

Satyapal told *TNIE*, "My daughter's return journey would not have been possible without Arathi's help. We went to Chennai to receive her and she was quarantined in a hotel for three days as per rules. She later tested negative for Covid."

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike
Office of the Executive Engineer-4, Lakes, Division Room No.309, 3rd Floor, New Building, BBMP, N.R. Square, Bengaluru-02

No.EE-4(Lakes)/TN-04/2020-21 Date: 06-08-2020

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICAITON 2nd Call
(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal Only)

Tenders on item rate basis are invited by the undersigned for the work mentioned below from the registered contractors of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike or equivalent registration with CPWD/KPWD/Railways/MES or any State Government Organizations.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Approx. Value of Work (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD (in Rs.)
1.	Construction of Gazebo, Watchmen shed, pathway improvement, child play equipment and other development work at Doddabommasandra Lake	99.00	1,98,000/-
2.	in Ward No.10. Removal of Silt at wetland area at Doddabommasandra Lake in Ward No.10.	99.00	1,98,000/-

Calendar of Events: (1). Last Date & Time for receipt of Tenders: **17-08-2020 up to 4:00 p.m. (2).** Pre-bid meeting of tender: **13-08-2020 at 3:00 p.m. (3).** Opening of Technical Bid Tender Document: **18-08-2020 at 4:30 p.m.** Further particulars can be obtained from the above office during working hours on working days or from **website: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/-, Executive Engineer- 4, Lakes Division, BBMP.

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No: admin/ddpi/nail-kali/gcb/tender/2019-20 Date: 05-08-2020

Tender Bulletin
(In only throw e-procurement portal)

Chief Executive Officer Zilla panchayath Yadgiri invite the tender in kg-3 model from manufactures/supplier for supply and installation of Green Ceramic Boards of 1162 Nali-Kali rooms of 897 Schools in Yadagiri district of Karnataka state. Details of schedule as below.
Tender uploading date under in e-procurement date: 03-08-2020 @17.30hrs IST
Last Date & Time of pre bid meeting : 17-08-2020 @ 11.00hrs IST
Last Date & Time for receipt of Tender : 04-09-2020 @ 17.00hrs IST
Date & Time for Verification of Technical bid: 08-09-2020 @ 12.30hrs IST Date & Time for Opening of Financial bid: 10-09-2020 @ 11.30hrs IST
please refer e-procurement portal of Karanataka http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in
Specail Instruction: sample size of 3 feet by 2 feet shall be submitted to Office of the Deputy Director of Public Instruction opp Govt Degree College Chittapur Road, Yadagiri latest by 15hrs on or before 17-08-2020.

Sd/-
Chief Ecxecutive Officer
Zilla Panchayath Yadagiri

Directorate of Health & Family Welfare Services
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No.: SHOT/HTS/15/2019-20 Date : 05.08.2020

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Directorate of Health and Family Welfare Services Govt. of Karnataka represented by the Director, Health and Family Welfare Service, on 5th August 2020 has invited, Tenders through e-Procurement Portal of Government of Karnataka from eligible bidders who are registered in the e-Procurement Portal of GoK for Request of Proposal for **Interior Fabrication and Exterior Designing and Supply of Medical Equipment for Ambulances** IND No. DHFWS / 2020-21 / IND4178.

The last date for uploading the Tender in the e-Procurement Portal of GoK is **7th September 2020 before 17.00 hours**. Further details can be obtained by visiting the e-Procurement Portal of GoK at **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Director
Health and Family Welfare Services

DIPR/DDU/YC/740/2020-21

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NO: ME/TENDER/97(B)/2019-20 Dt: 06.08.2020

ADDENDUM

RNA Extractor Equipment is added and shall be read along with RT PCR Equipment to the Medical Education Tender Notification No. ME/TENDER/97(B)/2019-20 Dated: 04.08.2020 which was published on 05.08.2020 in this News Paper.

Sd/-
Director of Medical Education

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NIT Nos.38,39 & 40/MD/APEWIDC/VJA/2020-21 Dated: 06.08.2020

Tenders are invited on e-procurement from Original Equipment / Product manufacturers for 03 types of Purified Drinking water systems with water purifiers & TDS filters, whose specifications are detailed in Schedule A of the respective Tender Document, for the Govt. Schools (Educational Institutions) in Andhra Pradesh, having:

01) <75 Children (Type-I) @ an ECV of Rs.41.40 Crores

02) Primary / upper Primary schools having > 75 Children (Type-II) @ an ECV of Rs.93.60 Crores

03) High Schools (Type-III) @ an ECV of Rs.63.70 Crores

Submission of Tender through Online: From 06-08-2020 to 20-08-2020 up to 16.00 Hrs and opening on : 20-08-2020 at 16.30 Hrs. For all details, visit e-procurement Platform @ **https://tender.apeprocurement.gov.in/**

Note: Changes / amendment if any will only be communicated through the above e-Procurement platform.

Sd/- Managing Director, APEWIDC, Vijayawada

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ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

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ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ROADS & BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT

INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)
OPEN COMPETATIVE BIDDING
IFB No:3/CE(R&B), NABARD, LWE&NDB/10 to 13/ APRBRP&APMCRCIP/2020-21, Dt: 05-08-2020

1. Chief Engineer (R&B), NABARD&LWE and NDB on behalf of Government of A.P. invites bids for the works consisting of 4 Packages amounting to Rs.385.29 Crores covering 4 Districts i.e, Vizianagaram, Guntur, Nellore & Srikakulam under Andhra Pradesh Roads and Bridges Reconstruction Project (APRBRP) & Andhra Pradesh Mandal Connectivity and Rural Connectivity Improvement Project (APMCRCIP) schemes with the Loan assistance of New Development Bank (NDB).
2. Bidding will be conducted through the Open Competitive Bidding (OCB) procedures agreed with NDB.
3. The Bid Document is available online and can be downloaded free of cost by logging on to Central Pubic Procurement Portal (CPPP) **https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app"**. The bids are to be submitted online through Central Public Procurement Portal (CPPP) **"https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app"** only. Bids submitted manually will not be accepted. One can view/ download the bidding document as well as view the tenders published currently by logging on the link **https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app.**
4. A pre-bid meeting will be held on 02.09.2020 at 11.00 AM in the office of Chief Engineer (R&B), NABARD&LWE and NDB, R&B HOD Building, MG Road, Vijayawada.
5. The bidders can download the Bid document from Central Public Procurement Portal i.e., **"https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app"** from 17.08.2020, 3:00PM to 16.09.2020 upto 1:00PM. The last date and time for receipt of bids through Central Public Procurement Portal is 16.09.2020 upto 3:00PM.
6. Full version of this notice is available at **www.aprdc.ap.gov.in**
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8. Amendments/Addenda/Corrigenda if any, pertaining to works, would be palced on the website **https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app.**

Sd/- Chief Engineer (R&B), NABARD & LWE and NDB

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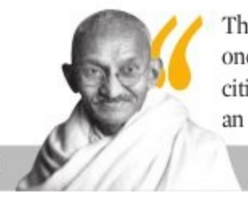

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RBI SITS TIGHT, NUDGES BANKS TO DO THEIR JOB

The surprise in Thursday's RBI monetary policy review was that there were no surprises. It kept policy rates unchanged and maintained an accommodative stance. Both were widely expected. Governor Shaktikanta Das didn't say as much but implied that banks have ground to cover as only 162 bps out of the 250 bps repo rate reduction since February 2019 reached new borrowers. He also patted himself on the back for all the liquidity measures that collectively brought down borrowing costs of commercial papers and company deposits to a two-decade low. Further, he assured continuity in liquidity management to ensure short-term rates remain stable, while chucking some loose change at Nabard and the National Housing Board to revive the stressed real estate sector and spur demand.

Uncertainty due to Covid-19 has set both inflation and the GDP rates moving at an unidentifiable rhythm and hence Das decided that they are best left unestimated. We know fully well about the RBI's forecasting woes, but it's the policymaker's job and though they might get it right or wrong, they are at least supposed to try. Perhaps in that spirit, Das warned that headline inflation will remain elevated this quarter, but will likely ease in the coming months, while the GDP will decidedly contract in FY21. Projections are crucial, but in their absence it'll be interesting to see how the RBI sets policy rates in coming months.

Finally, heeding requests, the RBI granted the regulatory talisman, aka loan restructuring, for corporate and personal loans giving a two-year moratorium and extension of loan tenure. Given the recent model misbehaviour of banks exploiting forbearance, Das did well laying ground rules this time. Only genuine borrowers can avail it, while sectoral filters will be fixed by the K V Kamath-led external committee. Banks have to make provisioning for restructured assets, though the amount is modest at 10%. Importantly, banks must make full disclosures laying bare their true asset quality unlike in the past. That said, the RBI must ensure these prudential norms are not diluted further to avoid the errors of history.

ON NEW ROLE FOR COPS IN KERALA'S COVID FIGHT

Back in early May, when the Kerala model of dealing with Covid-19 was being talked about a lot, the state had reported just 500-odd infections. Today, that number has crossed 30,000. Somewhere in between, matters slipped out of the state's hands. While Kerala can't be singled out in the present situation, the fact is its containment strategy, once very effective, has failed in a scenario where the caseload is rising at a more rapid pace. Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan's decision to grant the police a bigger role in Covid-prevention activities should be seen in this context. Under the new strategy, police will handle contact tracing of cases and management of containment zones, including fixing limits and surveillance—tasks that were the responsibilities of health officials and local administrations.

The chief minister believes negligence on the part of those tasked with control of Covid-19 is the cause for the current situation. He is not much off the mark, but handing over what's primarily the job of people with experience in public health to police officers, though it could be considered bold and game-changing, raises apprehensions. Opposition parties and health experts have expressed objections but the CM has made it clear that the police can use their powers to bring infection transmission under control and has given them 14 days to do this. This could prove decisive in Kerala's battle against the virus. IPS officer Vijay Sakhare, who has been made nodal officer for the purpose, comes with the reputation of managing the outbreak in Kasaragod in the initial days of the pandemic.

There's no doubt that the police can effectively use their investigative experience and surveillance tools for prevention activities. But this is more of a health-cum-humanitarian crisis than a law-and-order situation. While strict enforcement of containment rules and measures is certainly required, the government must ensure that the police go about the task with a humane approach. Health workers remain central to this fight and they must not be made to play second fiddle. An ideal situation would be the police and health departments working in tandem to tame the contagion.

History may treat this as yet another chapter in the Indian Republic's tryst with identity. This time written by the BJP, which was not at the high table when the Constitution was framed

THREE HUNDRED AND ONE WAYS TO RAM RAJYA

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AMIT BANDRE

Now that there's a new god—Ram Lalla Virajman—it's perhaps time to adjust to a new Ramayana. There are about 300 versions of the epic, from various Indian and even Southeast Asian belief systems and perspectives. The one on which the new concept of Rama has been constructed—itself entailing a striking duality—does not flow organically from the human-like hero ascribed to Valmiki, a text that itself came out of the accretions of an older oral text. It's tied in a closer way to the divinised Rama of the Bhakti movement, but imparts a mutation even on that. The duality exists at the level of iconography. There's the infant Rama, the actual deity. At another level, saturating the popular space is the warrior prince returning triumphally to Ayodhya, a gladiatorial, muscular figure, drawn in sharp and angular manga lines; here, it's the martial aspect that's valourised. In either case, he is not a calming object of devotion, a sign of an other-wordly divinity, but very much of this earth, tied to birth, to worldly concerns, to land.

Even after 22 December 1949, when Ram Lalla appeared miraculously on the then disputed site, his emergence as a national icon was not immediate. It was on 5 August 2020, through a Sanskrit shloka, no less, that Ram Lalla was consecrated as a 'unifying national icon'. The iconography of infant Rama is of relatively unknown provenance, and probably borrowed from the Bala Gopal deity found in many Hindu homes—who needs to be bathed, clothed, given *bhog*, and put to sleep; in short, taken care of. The Vaishnavites worship their deity in all stages of life, as a child, as the beloved—recall Meera, or the 18th c Telugu devadasi Muddupalani who wrote erotic poetry around Radha-Krishna that offended delicate British sensibilities—and as an ultimate embodiment of truth, the very atom of being, as by the subaltern mendicant-bards of Bengal, the Baul-Fakirs. Tarka—the way of deliberation and dissent—is itself one of the most hallowed Indian paths.

Ram Lalla is nowhere *virajman* in all this. He's our new child-god, shorn of his administrative values, if not of his quiver and bow. Rama, as he was known, was a just king and a warrior extraordinaire who fought for the restoration of moral order (against Brahminical excesses, in some readings). He is not merely an avenger of personal dishonour, but a totem of stoically calm sacrifice, of ethically borne suffering, of brotherhood. He puts the welfare of his subjects, even their irreverent questioning, above all else—including his relation and duties towards his wife, Sita. This Rama is no abstract deity, but an ideal human type—*narottaman*. Believers saw in him a 'human' manifestation of Vishnu, unlike Krishna who could always pull off a miracle or two. That is how he lived at the level of cultural consciousness, transmitted orally through generations, even with all the latter-day interpolations.

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That's why Rama, when he's reclaimed in the modern Indian political arena first, it's not L K Advani's rath yatra, but Mahatma Gandhi who does the honours: It's the perception of him as a symbol of justice that was of value. That's what the promise of Ram Rajya meant. This Rama carried a symbolic power beyond the Ramayana—it was pervasive, indeed unifying, and above religiosity. That's why an Allama Iqbal could call Ram 'Imam-e-Hind'. In the '80s-90s, the no-holds-barred warrior Ram arrives, pushing the other Rama, the good and just king, to the background. Advani's Ram is no Ram Lalla—the latter is a face, a legal deus ex machina. Instead he is the pure avenger of modern pop culture. Thus it is that Ram was politically weaponised.

What then is new? The infantilisation of Ram, who now needs the protection of the state. And who now will be above everything, including the Constitution, a new air where there cannot be any questioning as there could be in Valmiki's Ayodhya, where a king exhibited remarkably democratic traits! On the banks of a decked-up Sarayu, it is not the just Rama of older vintage who has been instituted, but the new infant Rama—a nativity play about belonging and unbelonging, not about accountability or ethical governance. If Ram Rajya was a concept specific to Gandhi, Ram Lalla belongs to the Modi era—a kind of concretisation of a pre-Ramayana Ram. However much the Congress jumps in to sing 'Jai Siya Ram', reviving an old Uttar Pradesh greeting, they have been bypassed. No matter how much they point to the unlocking of the 'site' by Rajiv Gandhi and try to resurrect Narasimha Rao, they will be considered the B-Team with a borrowed idea, without an alternative vision.

History may treat this as yet another chapter in the Indian Republic's tryst with identity. This time written by the BJP, which was not at the high table when the Constitution was being framed. Will this bring closure? Or do we have to yet again hear someone exclaim on his last breath: Hey Ram?

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NEP AND EDUCATION FOR THE FUTURE

NANDITHA KRISHNA

Historian and environmentalist. She also runs many schools and a college

Finally, after 34 years, we have a new National Education Policy (NEP), which must power the country into the new century. Fortunately, the ministry's name will become Ministry of Education. Human Resource Development suggested corporate activity, not the education of young minds, though it remained Shiksha Mantralay in Hindi. Youth Affairs and Sports were later taken away from MHRD, leaving education alone. Call a spade a spade. The NEP is flexible, short and covers most aspects. But some challenges remain.

The new policy emphasises Early Childhood Care and Learning (ECCE) from 3+. But who will implement this? Children of poorer working mothers are, at best, sent to balwadis managed by ayahs. Who will convey the national curriculum and give them foundational literacy? There is talk of teacher recruitment, but nobody wants to work in a balwadi. Unless teachers are well paid and supported by ayahs, we cannot attract the best. The addition of breakfast to the free lunch was necessary, as most children come hungry to school, thus diminishing their learning ability.

The NEP wants children educated in their mother tongue or regional language. But today's generation is aspirational and wants their children to be educated in English. All the children of my staff and sub-staff study in English-medium private schools. Nobody wants to go to government schools, even if they are free. Today, knowledge of English is essential to get a well-paying job, whether as a chauffeur or as a doctor. Each state and school will have to make a judicious choice of language. The introduction of any classical language is a welcome addition: English public schools teach Greek, although the British have no Greek DNA. Indian knowledge systems will also be integrated. We know more Shakespeare than Kalidasa or Tiruvalluvar, about Pasteur than Charaka.

Unfortunately, the 10+2 board exams have not been abolished. This pandemic has shown how unnecessary the 10th board exams are. Teenagers spend the four best years of their young lives preparing for the exams. The public exam at the tenth standard level was intended for those who wanted to branch off into vocational streams. But children continued into Standard XII, with its better assurance of a job. Ideally, there should be a single school leaving exam at Standard XII, with a certificate given at the tenth standard level.

The one aspect that has been skimmed over is the role of the teacher. Apart from making the teacher's training course a four-year Bachelor of Education degree, there is no effort to enhance the role of the teacher. We should be attracting the brightest and best to take up teaching. To do that, we must give good salaries, build up teaching as a great profession and appoint the best teachers—young creative people who can inspire. Most of us were "made" by our teachers. Today, teaching in a government school has become the last option for a graduate: In many cases, those who do not get admission into medicine, engineering, etc., become teachers, based on caste and other considerations. Those who love to teach and choose it as a vocation are lost to government schools and join private schools, which is why the latter are so preferred.

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The Higher Education Policy aims to increase gross enrolment from 26.3% (2018) to 50% in 2035. The exit options are good—a certificate after Year 1, a diploma after Year 2 and a multidisciplinary degree after four years. College is the stage when young people drop out or change track. The NEP has envisioned the combination of sciences and humanities. This will undoubtedly improve the calibre of graduates, if they are permitted to study subjects of their choice rather than the rigid "combinations" imposed by colleges. I studied in Elphinstone College, Mumbai, in the '70s, and wanted to take an odd combination of Ancient Indian Culture and French literature. Even the timetables clashed. I met Principal Rege and his answer was beautiful: If you are so keen on both subjects and think you can manage without attending all the classes, go right ahead, he said. I did and obtained a first class with distinction in both subjects. That is the encouragement a student needs.

Affiliation of colleges will be phased out. There are two sides to this: What is the value of a degree from a sub-standard college? But the market also grades graduates, which would be a challenge to the institutions to improve themselves. The discontinuation of the M.Phil. degree was essential. It is forced on potential Ph.D. candidates. Rather, the establishment of a National Research Foundation will "catalyse, expand and fund research", and should have been done long ago. Research in India is abysmal, with neither infrastructure nor opportunity. If young people are given research opportunities, we could halt the brain drain.

The most important part of the NEP is the expenditure on education. Currently India spends 3% of its GDP on education and ranks 62nd in total public expenditure on education per student. That amount will go up to 6%, but even that is not enough. If we want to become a "developed" nation, we must increase our allocation for education substantially.

Finally, the implementation of this policy is left to the states, as education is a concurrent subject. I hope politics does not get the better of what is essential for our society.

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Ram temple & unity

The Bhoomi Pujan in Ayodhya has fulfilled the dreams of every Ram devotee in the country. Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi expressing goodwill towards the Pujan has enhanced national unity. One hopes Ayodhya becomes a famous pilgrimage and tourist area.

D Ravikumar, Visakhapatnam

Maintain harmony

Love is the essence of all religions (*Time to rise above religious lines for true Ram Rajya*, Aug 6). Leaders must desist from unnecessary comments for their petty political ends that would hamper communal harmony. It is time for all of us to unite and participate wholeheartedly in building our nation.

P K Sreevalsan, Kannur

Cong has lost its voice

It seems that the grand old party has lost its voice. The BJP has every right to celebrate the groundbreaking ceremony as Ram temple construction in Ayodhya has been there in its manifesto. The real tragedy is that the main opposition has been tongue-tied or playing second fiddle to the ruling party in all issues of national importance.

D V G Sankararao, Vizianagaram

From Nehru to Priyanka

With the passage of time, secularism has undergone a transformation. Our first PM declined to be involved in the rebuilding of the Somnath Temple and did not even want the then President to participate in the function. Now Congress leaders like Priyanka Gandhi have supported temple construction.

Haribandhu Panigrahi, Tarbha

Opportunistic alliance

The IUML could have supported the cause as even the Congress, its major coalition partner, overtly supports it. The League has proved by its actions that its alliance with the grand old party is purely opportunistic.

Geetha B K, Mangaluru

Internal & external threats

This is with reference to *A year on, the strategic impact of Art 370 decision* (Aug 5). The article, while commending the action of the government in performing a hitherto impossible task, admits that a sponsored instability spanning decades cannot be undone overnight. The government has to be eternally vigilant to ensure stability in Kashmir, which has both internal and external problem creators.

Dharmarajan A K, Thalassery

Beirut disaster a warning

More than 100 people were killed and thousands injured in a massive explosion in Lebanon's capital Beirut. It was a man-made disaster and occurred due to utter neglect in the storage of highly explosive materials in densely populated areas. This is a warning for all other countries where insufficient care is taken in handling explosives.

K A Solaman, Alappuzha

Actor to the rescue again

Since the pandemic began, actor Sonu Sood has been helping stranded people reach their homes safely. Earlier, he helped migrant labourers held up in Maharashtra. Now, the actor has helped 101 students from TN who were stuck in Moscow return home (*Actor helps TN students fly home*, Aug 6)

K R Kumar, Chennai

Survival of tourism sector

Odisha, with its Chilika Lake and the temples in Konark, Puri and Bhubaneswar, is a visitor's paradise. Due to Covid, tourist guides, photographers and small businessmen are facing hard times because of the restrictions imposed. The government should be proactive in mitigating the problems faced by the tourism sector as it is a question of livelihood and survival.

Prabhudutt Dash, Bhubaneswar

Kerala and ISIS

It is shocking to read about the number of people from Kerala who have joined ISIS. This was not expected from a state that is nationally acknowledged for its religious tolerance and high literacy. It is possible that the appeasement politics of various parties in Kerala may be to blame.

Bijumon P N, Idukki

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Harsimrat Kaur Badal @HarsimratBadal_
Remembering with love & affection our most powerful orator in Parliament, Sushma Swarajji. A year since she left us

Shivraj Singh Chouhan @ChouhanShivraj
Madhya Pradesh has been ranked at 16th position in the country in the active cases of Corona

Sitaram Yechury @SitaramYechury
Whatever the PM and his govt are trying to hide is very serious and the government must clearly tell the truth

MEA reminds China that the two Special Representatives had agreed on early disengagement of troops for improving ties

India insists on total disengagement at LAC

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INDIA on Thursday asserted the need for early and complete disengagement along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in eastern Ladakh as decided during the discussions with special representatives of China.

"The two Special Representatives had agreed that early and complete disengagement of the troops along the LAC and de-escalation from India-China border areas in accordance with bilateral agreement and protocols and full restoration of peace and tranquility was essential for the smooth overall development of bilateral relations," Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) spokesperson Anurag Srivastava said.

India is committed to the objective and expects the Chinese side to work sincerely towards it, Srivastava added. "We also expect that the Chinese side will work with us sincerely for complete disengagement and de-escalation and full restoration of peace and tranquility in the border areas."

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In July, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh during his visit to Ladakh had asserted that the progress in the talks with China should lead to a resolution of the issue. However, there was no guarantee to what extent the issue would be resolved, he had said while addressing the troops at the Lukung Border Observation Post (BOP) near Pangong Tso.

Meanwhile, the Defence m for the first time officially accepted on its website that Chinese troops transgressed into multiple areas, also expressing a possibility of the situation at the Line of Actual Control in eastern Ladakh getting "prolonged". However, the ministry later removed the document.

"The Chinese side transgressed in the areas of Kugrang Nala, Gogra (PP-17A) and the north bank of Pangong Tso on May 17-18," a document, uploaded on the ministry's website said on Tuesday.

The document added that while military and diplomatic dialogue on "unilateral aggression" continues, the situation remains sensitive and requires close monitoring.

Quoting the second corps commander-level talks on June 22, it said, "While engagement and dialogue at military and diplomatic level is continuing to arrive at a mutually acceptable consensus, the present standoff is likely to be prolonged. The situation in eastern Ladakh arising from unilateral aggression by China continues to be sensitive and requires close monitoring and prompt action based on the evolving situation."

But, the document uploaded on Tuesday was removed on Thursday from the website.

Known as vikas purush, Sinha is low key

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Ex-union minister Manoj Sinha as he leaves for Srinagar after being announced as new J&K L-G in New Delhi | SHEKHAR YADAV

NEWLY-APPOINTED Jammu and Kashmir Lt Governor Manoj Sinha has been a low-profile politician from Ghazipur in eastern Uttar Pradesh. The civil engineer and an IIT-BHU alumnus has been a member of Parliament thrice from Ghazipur and is known as a 'vikas purush' (development-oriented man) who combines administrative acumen with political understanding.

He was a junior minister at the Centre holding the communication and railway portfolios in the first tenure of the NDA government. Sinha oversaw the developmental work in Modi's parliamentary constituency, Varanasi.

In the railway ministry, he was an apprentice to Cabinet minister Suresh Prabhu. With Prabhu delegating day-to-day administrative responsibility to him, Sinha rose in the esteem of the Prime Minister Narendra Modi and he was soon rewarded with the additional responsibility of Minister of State for Communication with independent charge.

As the telecom minister, he oversaw the sale of spectrum by the telecom ministry in 2016 and actively took up call drops issue. His performance enabled him to gain the Prime Minister's confidence and managed direct access to the Prime Minister's Office.

With a clean image, Sinha has been away from controversies. An agriculturalist at heart and a silent performer, Sinha was among the best performing MPs in the 13th Lok Sabha in 1999.

Sinha successfully fought his first Lok Sabha election in 1996 from the Ghazipur constituency and repeated the victory in 1999. His third victory came in 2014.

In 2019, Sinha sought reelection from the same constituency on his development credentials, not heeding to party's advice to opt for a safe seat and even saying no to polarising election slogans. But he lost to local strongman Afzal Ansari, a joint candidate of the Samajwadi Party and the Bahujan Samaj Party.

In the Uttar Pradesh assembly elections of 2017, he was the party's star campaigner. Sinha was the frontrunner for the post of UP chief minister following the party's sweep in the state. But at the last moment, the party picked the incumbent Yogi Adityanath.

Born on July 1, 1959 in Mohanpura of Ghazipur, Sinha, a Bhumihar by caste, took a plunge in politics by getting elected as the president of the Banaras Hindu University Students Union in 1982. He was then an active member of the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad. He rose to become a member of the BJP national council from 1989 to 1996.

As a parliamentarian, he has been a member of a committee on energy and also on government assurances.

Sinha's appointment as the J&K Lt Governor has come exactly a year after the Centre abrogated the special status of the erstwhile state. His new assignment is seen as the BJP's keenness to attach importance to the Bhumihars, who are strong in eastern UP and Bihar.

BJP govt pulled unexpected name out of the hat: Omar

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

REACTING over BJP leader Manoj Sinha's appointment as Jammu and Kashmir LG, former Chief Minister Omar Abdullah said that one can always trust this government to pull an unexpected name out of the hat contrary to anything the "sources" had planted earlier.

Taking to his Twitter, Abdullah said that till yesterday, his name was not in the list which people in Srinagar were circulating as the next Governor of the Union Territory.

However, Congress said a non-BJP man would have been more successful in J&K. The National Conference is of the view that it is an attempt to provide relief to BJP and changing of faces won't make any difference.

Aijaz Ahmad Wani, political analyst and Assistant Professor University of Kashmir said, "Only reason for changing the LG so soon indicates that Delhi wants to start political process in J&K as it was going completely bureaucratic administration with no political reach out."

Deputy CM Kavinder Gupta said Sinha's appointment may be an attempt to start political process in J&K.

"I think Sinha will play a key role in restart of political process in J&K. We hope he would fufill the task assigned to him and we welcome his appointment," he said. Former minister and J&K Apni Party senior leader Ghulam Hassan Mir said the Centre now thinks that J&K should have a L-G who can have political approach so that people feel connectivity with the government.

'If former judges can criticise institute, then why cannot Bhushan?'

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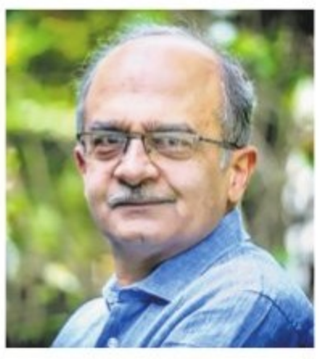

DEFENDING advocate **Prashant Bhushan**, senior advocate Dushyant Dave had on Wednesday argued that the tweets were against the judges regarding their conduct in their personal capacity and did not obstruct administration of justice.

Dave in his day-long arguments had highlighted various controversial incidents before the court where criticism was made on the judiciary. While hinting at the press conference held by four sitting judges in 2018, Dave said, "If former judges can criticize the institute then why cannot Bhushan?"

Dave also said, "Look at the sexual harassment case against the then CJI Gogoi. All the charges have been dropped against the lady and she has been reinstated now. These shows that she was speaking the truth then. Was contempt of court issued then? Justice Patnaik's report has still not been disclosed.

A day after the Supreme Court reserved its order in the suo motu contempt case against advocate Prashant Bhushan for his two tweets allegedly against judiciary, he on Thursday moved a plea seeking to present additional evidence if the court is not satisfied with his submissions that the contempt was not made out against him.

In the fresh plea, Bhushan said, "In case the court is not satisfied by my preliminary reply and wishes to proceed further in the matter allow me to lead further evidence u/s 17(5) of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971, after supplying copy of the complaint by Mehak Maheshwari to me. CJI sat on his own court on Saturday. That CJI accepts a Rajya Sabha nomination and A grade security. If somebody talks about it then you cannot issue contempt against them. No institution should be free from criticism."

He also highlighted the placing of the complaint directly before a bench headed by Justice Arun Mishra, when the 'Master of the Roster' is the Chief Justice of India. Bhushan had requested that Justice Mishra recuse himself from hearing this case.

EXPRESS READ

Palghar case: SC asks to file status reports

New Delhi: The SC directed the Maharashtra government to file copies of charge sheets of Palghar mob lynching case before it. The apex court asked Maharashtra government to apprise it about status of inquiry on role of cops. The direction comes at a time when Maharashtra government kept on opposing a batch of petitions in the Supreme Court.

Convalescent plasma therapy 'promising': Researchers

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @New Delhi

Patients being discharged after they recovered from Covid in Karad | PTI

CONVALESCENT plasma, transfused in some Covid 19 patients, seems to be inducing an almost magical effect, but does not give much benefit to others. The answer to the tricky question of which category of patients medically qualify to benefit from this therapy could be a few weeks away.

A group of researchers attached with ID& BG hospital and the Centre for Scientific Research-Indian Institue for Chemical Biology in Kolkata have undertaken a comprehensive randomised control trial to assess the efficacy of plasma therapy and its immunological aspects in Covid 19 patients.

An analysis based on 20 moderate to severe patients prepared by these researchers and submitted to state government a few days back says that the therapy looked "promising."

"Early results are promising and I hope that it continues as the trial with a total of 80 patients progresses," immunologist Dr Dipyaman Ganguly who is the principal investigator in the trial told this newspaper.

"Importantly, we are not only looking at clinical outcomes but also for immune system changes in the plasma recipients - to generate data on how and why plasma is or is not making a difference in Covid 19 patients," he said.

Dr Ganguly said that the trial is likely to be completed by September end. The therapy involves transfusing antibodies from the blood of people, who have recovered from Covid-19 at least 14 days after their complete recovery, into people who are very ill with the infection.

The Health ministry and the ICMR have indicted the treatment only for investigational purposes but the therapy is rampantly being tried in hospitals across states. A meta-analysis of RCTs on plasma therapy in the US, showed that patients who received transfusions of blood plasma rich with antibodies from recovered patients reduced their mortality rate by about 50%.

Covid relief : ₹890.32 cr released to states, UTs in second tranche

Stronger version of Favipiravir soon

Drugmaker Glenmark said it will launch 400 mg version of oral antiviral drug Favipiravir — a medicine granted Emergency Use Authorisation (EUA) to treat mild to moderate Covid-19 patients. Thus far, drug was available in 200 mg dosage.

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THE Centre has released ₹890.32 crore as the second instalment of the Covid-19 relief package to 22 states and Union Territories and said that the aid has been provided based on the present situation in the states.

The second instalment has been sanctioned nearly 4 months after providing Rs 3000 crore in the first tranche—which had been distributed among all the states.

The states that have been given the aid include Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Rajasthan, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Gujarat, Karnataka, Kerala, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Meghalaya Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland and Sikkim. Maharashtra, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh however does not feature in the list.

The first instalment of ₹3000 crore was released in April and enabled the states to ramp up testing facilities, augment hospital infrastructure, conduct surveillance activities, procure essential equipment, drugs and other supplies.

Sinha expected to be more accessible to J&K public, control bureaucracy

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AS minister of state for railways and telecommunication in the previous NDA government, Sinha demonstrated patience to listen to officials, trusting them to get the work done. His office was visited by hundreds of people from his native Uttar Pradesh on a daily basis and Sinha would give all a patient hearing.

"The President has been pleased to appoint Shri Manoj Sinha, to be the Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir with effect from the date he assumes charge of his office vice Shri Girish Chandra Murmu," a statement issued by President Ram Nath Kovind's office said on Thursday. According to sources, Sinha's low-profile image, non-aggressive approach, ability to reach out to a cross-section of people and his excellent track record as a telecom minister who managed to push the Prime Minister's programmes made him a clear choice for the job. There is also hope that Sinha will be able to take control of the bureaucracy, something Murmu apparently could not as he is understood to have had differences with chief secy BVR Subramanian. Sinha's appointment is in contrast to former Governor Satyapal Malik and Murmu. The former hit headlines with his utterances while the latter busied in operationalising the nitty-gritty of diluting Article 370.

A three-time Bharatiya Janata Party member of Parliament from Ghazipur in Uttar Pradesh, Sinha was one of the few ministers who lost the election despite the Modi wave.

Talk of him being rehabilitated in the party started in June after Home Minister Amit Shah sent Sinha and party leader and spokesperson Baijayant Panda to Manipur to defuse the political crisis there. Sources said BJP president JP Nadda was keen to include Sinha at a senior position in his team but the PM communicated that he had other plans for Sinha. Sinha got to know of his new assignment only last evening.

Sources attributed Murmu's sudden exit to his discord with the civil administration, especially the chief secy, and his inability to command the confidence of the bureaucracy in the newly formed Union Territory. Also, Murmu's recent comments on the restoration of 4G internet services in the UT against the wishes of the Centre caused quite a stir.

India slams China for raking up Kashmir issue

PUSHKAR BANAKAR @New Delhi

INDIA on Thursday hit out at China for trying to internationalise the Kashmir issue yet again at the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) and 'firmly rejected' Beijing's interference in the country's internal affairs.

"We have noted that China initiated a discussion in the UNSC on issues pertaining to the Indian Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir. This was not the first time that China has sought to raise a subject that is solely an internal matter of India. As on such previous occasions, this attempt too met with little support from the international community," a statement from the MEA stated. It further urged Beijing to draw proper conclusions from such infructuous attempts.

Centre scraps handicrafts, handloom boards, says 'min govt, max governance'

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> **In consonance with the Government of India vision of "Minimum government and Maximum Governance'... the Government has abolished All India Handloom Board**
>
> Textile ministry's statement

THE Textile ministry has abolished the All India Handicrafts Board and the All India Handloom Board — advisory bodies created to help the government in "formulation of the overall development programmes" in the handicrafts and handloom sectors, "keeping in view socio-economic cultural and artistic perspective."

The board which comprised members from Centre, state governments was constituted on January 23, 1992 under the chairpersonship of Union Minister of Textiles. The current board was reconstituted for a period of two years on January 2, 2014.

"In consonance with the Government of India vision of "Minimum government and Maximum Governance', a leaner Government Machinery and the need for systemtic rationalization of Government bodies, the Government has abolished All India Handloom Board wth effect from the date of issue of this resolution," said the gazetted notification of the government.

"The All India Handloom Board was constituted... for the overall development of the handloom sector under the chairmanship of Union Minister of Textiles with official members from the central state governments and members from the handloom industry. Thereafter, the All India Handloom Board has been reconstituted from time to time," ministry website read.

SUICIDE

A debt-ridden farmer allegedly committed suicide over prolonged harassment by a money lender in Madhya Pradesh. The case happened more than three weeks after the govt approved Bills to help tribals from money lenders

666 VILLAGES AFFECTED BY FLOODS IN UP

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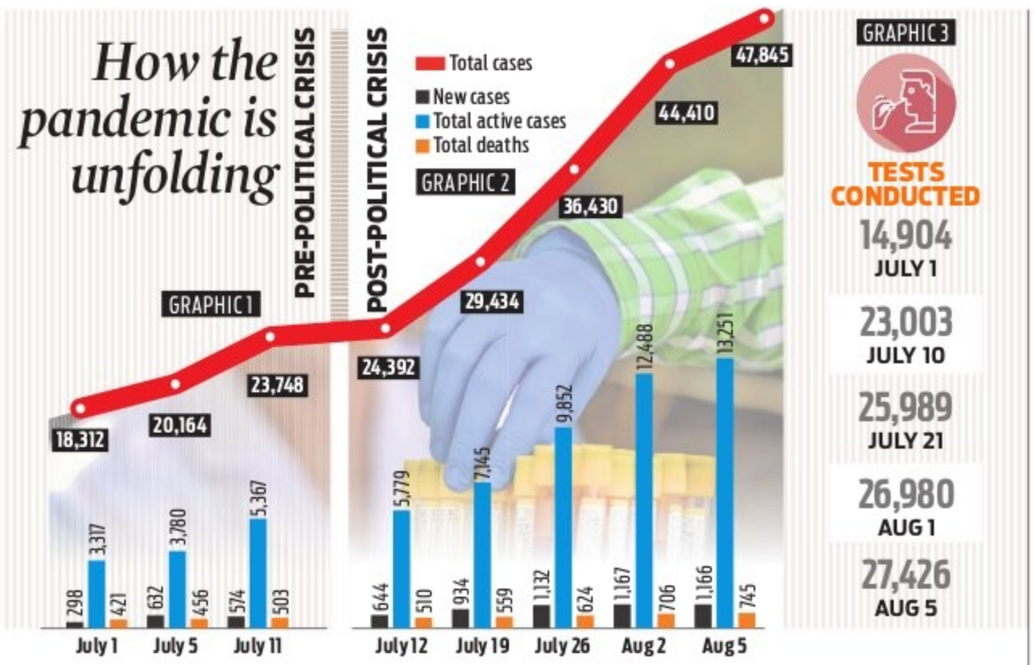
Srinagar	32	18	Chandigarh	35	27



GRAPHIC 3

TESTS CONDUCTED

14,904	JULY 1
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As political crisis gripped Rajasthan, Covid spiked

For more than 10 days now, over 1K cases daily reported in the state

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

IT is difficult to say if it is a sheer coincidence or governmental negligence, but after the political crisis gripped Rajasthan on July 12, the state has seen a sharp rise in new Covid-19 cases, touching an all-time high on August 5.

For more than 10 days now, the state has added more than 1,000 new cases daily, pushing up the total number of cases to 47,845 and active cases to 13,251 on August 5.

In the pre-political crisis period before July 12, the cases were rising by about 500-600 a day and the number of active cases stood around 5,800. But since then, new cases is steadily going up, clocking over 1,000 after July 25 and active cases more than doubling. *(Graphic 1 & 2)*The rising numbers have also affected the recovery rate, which was around 78.5% before July but has now declined to around 71%.

The political crisis sparked by a rebellious Sachin Pilot has resulted in a stalemate of sorts. CM Ashok Gehlot has corralled his MLAs, first in Jaipur and now in Jaisalmer, fearing poaching by the BJP or the Pilot camp. Many ministers are among those who have been kept in political quarantine.

The Covid surge has dented Rajasthan's Bhilwara model of countering the pandemic, which earned praise from no less than PM Narendra Modi.

State health minister Raghu Sharma admitted that the cases were rising but blamed the public for it. "Some of them are not careful and ignore the wearing of masks and social distancing norms despite repeated warning from the government," he said.

Sharma also said that it was improper to single out Rajasthan as the rate was high in the country as a whole. "If cases in Rajasthan are now increasing by about 1,100 per day, in the country the positive cases are rising by about 55,000 a day," he said, pointing also to ramped up testing. "The increase in number of tests is a major reason behind the rise in numbers."

In early July, much before the Pilot revolt, Rajasthan averaged 14,000 tests a day. This increased to 23,000 on July 10 and now it is more than 25,000 a day. *(Graphic 3)*

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>
> Ashok Gehlot, Rajasthan CM

Gehlot also rejected any link between the political crisis and the surge in Covid cases. "Despite the political crisis, our government is doing its best to fight the corona menace. We have raised our capacity for tests to over 40,000 per day and our mortality rate is around 1%, which is one of the lowest in the country."

He said the "people are satisfied with the efforts of our government" and blamed central ministers, especially the Home Ministry, for trying to topple his government rather than helping the state to effectively counter the crisis.

But the BJP attacked the Gehlot government, claiming there was a paralysis in the government. "It is unclear if the government will be able to prove its majority in the Assembly, but the coronavirus is definitely proving its majority in the state as the number of cases has risen sharply," said state BJP chief Satish Poonia. "The MLAs are being kept locked in luxury hotels, there is nobody to help the poor people against Covid-19. It is thanks to the immunity levels of the people that they are safe. Nobody can rely on this government in the face of the corona crisis."

Senior pathologist Rateesh Sareen of the SDM Hospital said there was a nationwide rise in corona cases. "If we see the overall figures of July in the state, 23,779 new cases were found and 267 deaths were reported. Though the figures have gone up, the death rate in the state has come down, from 2.28 % to 1.61 % in July, which is a big relief."

Dr Rakesh, an expert in the state health directorate who is associated with the WHO, concurred with the health minister. He said with the rising number of tests, the government was now reaching out to more people. "But increasing the tests is not the only factor. More people are now going out to their workplaces, resulting in greater social interaction. So, that's an added factor behind the rising cases," he said, adding that an awareness drive was the only answer.

Gujarat: Blaze in Covid hospital kills 8

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mumbai

EIGHT patients, including five men and three women, died in a fire that broke out at a private Covid designated hospital in Ahmedabad on wee hours of Thursday.

A short circuit in the ICU on the fourth floor of the hospital triggered the blaze, the police said. "The fire started around 3:30 am. Many patients were rescued. The bodies of the victims were sent for autopsy," LB Zala, assistant commissioner of police, B division, Ahmedabad City said, adding that 45 patients were admitted at the 50-bed Shrey Hospital in Navrangpura area.

The fire brigade personnel along with health workers rescued patients and shifted them to a civic hospital. Health workers in PPE kits tried to douse the fire but it had already spread inside the hospital.

Chief Minister Vijay Rupani ordered an inquiry which would be lead by senior IAS officers Sangeeta Singh and Mukesh Puri. The senior officers were given three days to submit their findings.

Rupani and PM Narendra Modi separately declared a compensation of ₹4 lakh and ₹2 lakh to the kin of the deceased, respectively. The injured would be given ₹ 50,000 in financial assistance. "Saddened by the tragic hospital fire in Ahmedabad. Condolences to the bereaved families. May the injured recover soon. Spoke to CM @vijayrupanibjp Ji and Mayor @ibijalpatel Ji regarding the situation," Modi tweeted, adding that the administration is providing all possible assistance to the affected.

Police stand outside Shrey Hospital in Ahmedabad on Thursday | PTI

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AICC TOP POST

Sonia likely to continue as party chief

RICHA SHARMA @ New Delhi

WITH Sonia Gandhi completing one year as the Congress interim chief on August 10, she is expected to get another term as her son and ex-party president Rahul Gandhi still showing no willingness to for a second stint even as he continues to play a key role running the party affairs.

Several senior leaders and MPs have repeatedly demanded that Rahul should lead the party but the mother-son duo is silent on the issue. Some have criticised the delay in having a full-time chief and how that is impacting the party's functioning amid growing differences between leaders and party cadre in several states. "It is most likely that she (Sonia) will continue to be as interim chief," said a senior leader.

A reluctant Sonia took over as interim chief after Rahul resigned taking responsibility for the party's debacle in the Lok Sabha election. As per the party constitution, the AICC shall meet at least once a year but it hasn't met for the last two years. The party was supposed to hold a session in April but could not due to the COVID-19 situation. This also delayed a decision on a new chief.

A section of leaders have said that if Rahul is not interested in leading, then the party should call for internal elections to elect a new chief. "He may not be leading the party officially but he is part of all major decisions and key meetings," said another leader.

Sushant Singh suicide: CBI's FIR names Rhea, family as accused

PUSHKAR BANAKAR @ New Delhi

THE Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) on Thursday registered a case against Bollywood actress Rhea Chakraborty and five others in connection with the suicide of Sushant Singh Rajput.

The CBI has charged Rhea, her brother Showik and her parents Indrajit and Sandhya along with Shruti Modi and Samuel Miranda under various sections of the IPC.

The FIR, which was filed on the basis of the complaint filed by Sushant's father KK Singh, has charged the accused for abetment to suicide, criminal conspiracy, wrongful restrain, wrongful confinement, theft, criminal breach of trust, cheating and criminal intimidation.

A special investigation team comprising CBI DSP Anil Kumar Yadav, who will be the investigation officer and will be headed by Joint Director of CBI Manoj Shashidhar will probe the case. This is the same team which has probed high-profile cases like the AgustaWestland VVIP chopper and the Vijay Mallya case.

The CBI took over the case after the Bihar government gave nod to transfer it to the agency. A notification was released on Wednesday by the Centre assigning the CBI to probe the case after which the FIR was filed. The Maharashtra government has refused to hand over the case to the CBI.

Meanwhile, the Bihar Police decided to move court if Patna City SP Vinay Tiwari, who was put on 'forcible' quarantine in Mumbai, is not released by Thursday.

DGP Gupteshwar Pandey said a second letter was written to BMC requesting it to exempt Tiwari from quarantine. The DGP reminded the Mumbai civic body that the top court had passed a critical observation on the confinement.

With inputs from Patna

The Patna Police team is back in the Bihar state capital | PTI

EXPRESS READ

Tax waiver for pvt bus operators in Bengal

Kolkata: The Mamata Banerjee government on Thursday announced a tax waiver for private bus and mini bus operators, amid the growing demand for sops to tide over the losses incurred due to the pandemic. Home Secretary Alapan Bandyopadhyay said road tax and additional tax were being waived from April 1 to September 30 for these operators in the state.

Bihar: Cong unit wants time for poll planning

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi/Patna

CITING that delay in a seat sharing arrangement among Grand Alliance partners for the LS polls had affected the party, the Congress' Bihar unit on Thursday urged senior leader Rahul Gandhi to ensure that the party has time to plan for the state election.

Polls are due in October -November in Bihar but the EC is yet to take a final call.

Rahul interacted with leaders, party office bearers and workers/volunteers through video conference. In 2019, seat sharing formula was negotiated till a week or so before the first phase of LS polling. Seats kept changing and Congress candidates had no time to reach out to voters.

"We want that things are finalised soon so that there is clarity. The central leadership should negotiate hard as a majority of allies don't want to contest under the leadership of Tejashwi Yadav as CM face," said a leader.

However, Shaktisinh Gohil, party in charge, Bihar denied any discussion on seat sharing. The focus was on contesting election with a positive agenda of providing good governance to the people who were suffering tremendously due to the unchecked spread of coronavirus and devastating floods, he said.

During the meeting, Rahul underlined that the situation at the border with China was worrisome and that India's integrity and security was of prime concern to him right since the beginning of this unprecedented Chinese offensive in Ladakh.

He pointed out that there was a time when Bihar held a place of pride nationally. But utter disregard of governance and disregard of people-centric policies, Rahul pointed, had led to a situation where the state and its people are forced into extreme sufferings and were looking forward to positive change, something that the Congress could provide.

Mumbai rains show rapid rise in extreme weather events

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

MASSIVE flooding in Mumbai again shows that the frequency of localised heavy rain has increased during 1951–2017, with 285 reported flooding events in India during the period.

About 85 crore people were affected, while 1.9 crore left homeless and about 71,000 others lost lives in the period.

Widespread extreme rain events across central India have tripled since 1950 and the rise in extreme rainfall events is taking place over a region where the total monsoon rainfall is decreasing.

For instance, in Mumbai, it received 200mm of rainfall in a 4 hour window between 2.30 to 5.30 pm on August 5. "Climate researchers categorize heavy rainfall above 10mm/hr and violent rainfall > 50mm/hr. Mumbai drains are designed for 25mm rains/hr. The city has over 2500 kms of drains built over 100 years ago," according to Urban Sciences.

Experts warn that the fact that this intensification is against the background of a declining monsoon rainfall makes it catastrophic, as it puts several millions of lives, property and agriculture at risk.

These severe weather events result in large scale floods and catastrophic loss for life and property across central and northern India – Gujarat, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Telangana, Odisha, Jharkhand, Assam and parts of Western Ghats – Goa, north Karnataka and south Kerala.

"While it is too early for an in-depth analysis of the ongoing floods, what we can say is that there is an increasing trend in heavy rainfall events on the west coast of India. In our analysis of rainfall data over the last 70 years, we find a three-fold rise in extreme rains along the west coast and central India," said Dr Roxy Mathew Koll, Scientist, Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology, Lead Author, IPCC Oceans and Cryosphere.

Villagers travel on a boat to cross the Ganga river in Patna | PTI

Valley of Flowers opens for tourists

The state government last week opened the 'Valley of Flowers' for tourists from across the country. Forest minister Harak Singh Rawat said that the department has cleared all the internal routes of the valley for patrolling, as the risk of poaching looms in the sensitive area. The UNESCO World Heritage site was closed due to the Covid epidemic. Around 15,000 visitors visited the valley last year. According to officials, it was the first time that the valley did not open for tourists at the scheduled time. Tourists will be required to upload their Covid-19 negative certificate 72 hours before their visit.

DEHRADUN DIARY

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Corona warriors to be invited for I-Day celebrations

Uttarakhand government has allowed celebrations for Independence Day with strict safety norms including adhering to social distancing, using masks, not gathering in large numbers and 'use of technology in the best possible manner for celebration befitting the occasion' in a new set of guidelines under Unlock 2.0 released on August 4. It also stated that corona warriors like doctors, health workers, sanitation workers, etc should be invited to the ceremonies at state, district and other levels as recognition of their noble service. It would be appropriate that the theme of "Atmanirbhar Bharat" is suitably spread and publicised through various activities/messages in the functions and on social media during the celebrations, it said.

Get 'prasad' from Badrinath shrine at home

The Chamoli district administration has signed a contract with the e-commerce website Amazon for the distribution of 'Panch Badri Prasadam' of the Badrinath shrine. The delivery of the 'Prasadam' began on July 31. It is available on Amazon under 'Badrinath Prasad Box' for ₹322. The contents have been sourced from 18 local self-help groups, said Swati S Bhadauria, district magistrate of Chamoli. The sourcing of contents from these groups will help at least 89 families who have lost their livelihood due to the effect of the Covid pandemic on religious tourism this year.

Uttarakhand seeks funds worth ₹1,000 cr

Uttarakhand government has sent a proposal worth ₹1,000 crore for significant management projects in the state, including water connection in the hills and creating jobs for migrant workers people who have returned due to the pandemic. Tourism and irrigation minister Satpal Maharaj handed over the proposal to Union Minister Of State for Finance Anurag Thakur earlier this week. Maharaj also sought an extension of two years and 11 months for ongoing works under Gramya-2, a World Bank-aided project. The current deadline is September 2021.

1.19 mn

Workers filing for first-time jobless benefits in the US dropped last week to 1.19 million, well below what analysts had been expecting

GLOBAL WEATHER

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Beijing	34	23	SNY	Los Angeles	30	17	SNY
Colombo	30	26	TDS	Melbourne	15	7	LC
Doha	40	31	SNY	Moscow	19	11	LR
Dubai	44	31	SNY	New York	25	21	HR
Houston	33	23	SNY	Singapore	31	25	HR
Istanbul	33	21	SNY	Toronto	27	18	SNY
London	34	18	SNY	Washington DC	27	22	HR

Rajapaksa's family heads for big win in Lanka general elections

Mahinda Rajapaksa's SLPP secures 72 out of the 98 seats decided and wins 57% of the votes, with more than 60% of the 11.3 million ballots counted thus far

COLOMBO

THE party of Sri Lanka's ruling Rajpaksa brothers headed for a landslide win on Thursday in a parliamentary election set to strengthen their grip on power.

At press time, with over 60% of 11.3 million ballots counted, PM Mahinda Rajapaksa's Sri Lanka Podujana Party (SLPP) had 57% of the votes.

Official results showed that the party had secured 72 out of the 98 seats decided and was headed for a two thirds majority in the 225-member parliament that would allow changes to the constitution.

President Gotabaya Rajapaksa said on Twitter that "results so far indicate an excellent victory for the SLPP."

Rajapaksa's party is expected to win control of assembly by a comfortable margin, as per analysts. In Galle district, the SLPP won seven out of nine seats on offer while in the neighbouring Matara district they won six out of seven seats on offer.

The nearest rival is the new party formed by former presidential candidate Sajith Premadasa who has relegated his mother party, the United National Party (UNP), of former premier Ranil Wickremesinghe to the fourth place even below the Marxist Janatha Vimukthi Peramuna (JVP).

The SJB has won only three seats from both districts.

In the polling division results from other districts where counting is in progress, the SLPP has taken unassailable leads, sources said.

In the Tamil minority dominated north, the main Tamil party - Tamil National Alliance (TNA) - despite bagging a few polling divisions had also suffered unexpected reversals at the hands of SLPP's Tamil allies - the Eelam People's Democratic Party (EPDP).

Mahinda Rajapaksa

As the counting of votes began, SLPP founder and its National Organiser Basil Rajapaksa -- who is the younger brother of President Gotabaya Rajapaksa with the eldest being Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa -- said that the party is all set to form a new government. President Gotabaya hopes for a two-thirds majority for the SLPP so that he can amend the Constitution to restore presidential powers curbed by a 2015 constitutional change.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi was among the first world leaders to congratulate Rajapaksa on the outcome of the elections and said the two sides will work together to further advance all areas of bilateral cooperation and to take ties to new heights. *Agencies*

LEBANESE LIVID OVER GOVT NEGLIGENCE AS MACRON VISITS

A soldier stands at the site of the explosion in Beirut. On the right, a satellite image shows the capsized Orient Queen cruise ship after the blast | AP, AFP

HONG KONG

RESIDENTS of Beirut vented their fury at Lebanon's leaders Thursday during a visit by French President Emmanuel Macron, blaming them for the deadly explosion that ravaged the capital. Shouting, "Revolution!" they crowded around the visiting leader who promised to press the politicians for reform.

For many Lebanese, Tuesday's giant blast was the last straw after years of corruption and mismanagement by a political elite that has ruled for decades.

The blast, which killed more than 130 people, wounded thousands and left tens of thousands homeless, is believed to have been caused when a fire touched off a stockpile of 2,750 tons of highly explosive ammonium nitrate that authorities left sitting in a warehouse for years — despite a customs official's repeated warnings.

Macron visited the devastated port and toured a hard-hit neighborhood lined with heavily damaged buildings. A crowd gathered around him and shouted their anger, chanting, "Revolution!" and "The people want to bring down the regime!" — slogans used at mass protests last year. Macron told them he would speak to Lebanon's political leaders. "I will propose to them a new political pact this afternoon," he said. "I will be back on the first of September and if they can't do it, I will keep my responsibility toward you."

He also promised that French aid would be given out with transparency and "will not go into the hands of corruption." France once governed Lebanon as a protectorate and maintains close ties.

Some welcomed Macron like a saviour, while only a few heckled him, arguing that his mere presence in Lebanon would only serve to legitimise a political system they want to kick out wholesale.

There have been widespread pledges of international aid to Lebanon, but the country has been mired in a severe economic crisis and faces a daunting challenge in rebuilding.

Losses from the blast were estimated by Beirut Gov. Marwan Abboud to be between $10 billion to $15 billion, who said nearly 300,000 people are homeless.

The head of Lebanon's customs department, meanwhile, confirmed in an interview with LBC TV on Wednesday that officials had sent five or six letters over the years to the judiciary, asking that the ammonium nitrate be removed. Badri Daher said all he could do was alert authorities to its presence. *Agencies*

IMF URGES BEIRUT TO BREAK IMPASSE

The International Monetary Fund urged Lebanese officials on Thursday to break an "impasse" and move ahead with reforms. The world body, which has been in talks with the Lebanese government since May over the country's financial crisis. The talks have since hit a wall. Lebanon is seeking more than $20 billion in external funding, including an $11 billion aid package pledged during a Paris conference in April 2018.

FB, Twitter clash with Trump again

SAN FRANCISCO

FACEBOOK and Twitter took aim at US President Donald Trump and his campaign over a video post in which he contended that children are "almost immune" to the coronavirus, a claim they said amounted to "misinformation." In an extraordinary move, Facebook removed the clip from the President's account — the first time it has taken down one of his posts for violating its content rules.

The video — an excerpt from a Fox News interview — "includes false claims that a group of people is immune from COVID-19 which is a violation of our policies around harmful COVID misinformation," a Facebook spokesperson told AFP.

Twitter said it had blocked Trump's official campaign account over a tweet containing the same video, in which Trump made the case for reopening US schools in September.

Soon thereafter, the @TeamTrump account suggested the contested video had been taken down. "Another day, another display of Silicon Valley's flagrant bias against this president, where the rules are only enforced in one direction," the Trump campaign's deputy national press secretary Courtney Parella said. *AFP*

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Whereas the Authorised Officer of Housing Development Finance Corporation Limited, under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notice under Section 13 (2) of the said Act, calling upon the following borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s) to pay the amounts mentioned against their respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices, within 60 days from the date of the said Notice/s, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc till the date of payment and / or realisation.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s)	Outstanding Dues	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Description of the Property
1	Borrower Mr. John Paul Co-Borrower Mrs. Sandra Kumar	Loan A/c No. 628467143 Rs.28,58,252/- Loan A/c No. 630426253 Rs.1,02,128/- Total Rs.29,60,380/- (Rupees Twenty Nine Lakh Sixty Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty Only) as on 31.07.2019	12.09.2019	Physical Possession Date: 06.08.2020	All that piece and parcel of residential apartment unit, i.e., FLAT No. 304, on the 3rd floor having super built area 902 sq.ft. and UDS of 425 sq.ft. with one covered car parking in the building known as 'OCEANUS VIOLA' in situated on Survey Numbers 594, Property No.1035/904, New No.1034/1a,Sarjapur Town, Sarjapur Hobli, Bengaluru.
2	Borrower Mr. A M Chittiappa	Loan A/c No. 635886654 Rs.28,79,876/- Loan A/c No. 637734931 Rs.5,17,146/- Total Rs.33,97,022/- (Rupees Thirty Three Lakh Ninety Seven Thousand Twenty Two Only) as on 31.01.2020	05.03.2020	Physical Possession Date: 06.08.2020	All that piece and parcel of residential flat bearing No.249, in the Block No.'B' First Floor, of the apartment building known as "DHIRAAN NEWYORK MEADOWS", having a super built up area of 900 Sq. feet with one car parking space in the basement with proportionate share of 285 sq. feet of undivided share, right title and interest in the land bearing Sy No.29/2 [vide conversion order bearing official memorandum No.BDS.ALN.(A):SR:424/2004-05 dated 11.02.2005 issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore], situated at Iggaluru Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District.
3	Borrower Mrs. Nimbekai Kallesh Sonal Co-Borrower Mr. Kashimath Varundev Vijaykumar	Loan A/c No. 626304507 Rs.38,47,707/- Loan A/c No. 626304538 Rs.9,75,727/- Total Rs.48,23,434/- (Rupees Forty Eighty Lakh Twenty Three Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty Four Only) as on 31.10.2019	02.12.2019	Symbolic Possession Date: 06.08.2020	**Schedule-A :** All that piece and parcel of residentially converted land bearing Sy.No.130/4 having BBMP Katha No.7/17/130/4, measuring 17 guntas situated Kamanahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore and bounded on: East : Road and Land bearing Sy.No.129; West : Land bearing Sy.No.130/2; North : Land bearing Sy.No.130/3; South : Land bearing Sy.No.1, 2 and 3. **Schedule-B :** All that piece and parcel of residential Apartment bearing No.305 in Third Floor of the building known as "GRANDEUR" constructed on the Schedule A Property having super built area of 1540 Sq.Fts. and one covered car parking area in the stilt floor. **Schedule - C:** 471 Sq.Ft. Undivided Share, right, title and interest in the land comprised in the Schedule A Property.
4	Borrower Mr. Seshu Kumar V Co-Borrower Mrs. Jaya Leela.M	Loan A/c No. 393893464 Rs.1,02,49,988/- (Rupees One Crore Two Lakhs Forty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Eight Only) as on 31.10.2019	27.11.2019	Symbolic Possession Date: 06.08.2020	All that residential house constructed in Site bearing No.87, admeasuring 3900 Sq.Feet Khaneshumari No. 637-117/5-87, carved out of erstwhile converted Sy.No.117/5 and 117/6, (converted vide the Order of the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore, bearing No. BDis.ALN.SR(NA)354/04-05, dated 17.12.2004), situated at Tarabanahalli Village, Jala Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, in the layout known as "THE RETREAT", Karnataka State and bounded as follows : North : Plot No. 86, South : Plot No. 88, East: Plot No. 76, West : 40 feet wide Road.

*with further interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and / or realisation.
However, since the borrower mentioned hereinabove have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the borrower mentioned hereinabove in particular and to the public in general that the Authorised Officer/s of HDFC have taken above said mentioned possession of the immovable property (ies) / secured asset(s) described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/them under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on the dates mentioned above.
The borrower mentioned hereinabove in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid Immovable Property(ies) / Secured Asset(s) and any dealings with the said Immovable Property (ies) / Secured Asset(s) will be subject to the mortgage of Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd.
Borrower(s) attention is/are invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset/s.
Copies of the Pnachanma drawn and Inventory made are available with the undersigned, and the said Borrower is requested to collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.

Date: 07.08.2020
Place: Bangalore
Sd/-Authorised Officer
HDFC Ltd. under SARFAESI Act, 2002

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA, PANCHYATH RAJ ENGINEERING DIVISION, RAICHUR
No: EE/PRED/RCR/T.S/E-Tender/2020-21/10 Date: 03-08-2020
SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-procurement)
On Turn-key basis Tenders are invited through e-procurement for the following works by the Executive Engineer, P.R.E. Division, Raichur on the behalf of Governor of Karnataka, From the contractors registered in PRED as per the schedule given below
1. Issue of Blank Tender Documents from: 04.08.2020
2. Receipt of completed tender documents: 18.08.2020 up to 4.30 P.M
3. Technical Bid opening on :19.08.2020 at 5.00 P.M (If possible)
Indent Nos:
Manvi Taluka: 79714)
Lingasugur Taluka: 79981)
Further details can be obtained by logging on the http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in
Sd/-
Ecxecutive Engineer.,P.R.E. Divn, Raichur

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, Kengeri Division, RR Nagara Zone, No.144, 2nd Main, Jagajyothi Layout, Bengaluru - 560 056.
No.: EE/KEN/TEND/14/2020-21 Date: 06-08-2020
INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER (IFT)
(Through GoK e-Procurement Portal only)
The Executive Engineer, Kengeri Division, BBMP, Bengaluru on behalf of the Commissioner, BBMP invites tenders from eligible contractors for the below mentioned construction works.

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Approximate Value of Work (Rs. in lakhs)	EMD (in Rs.)
	Two Cover System- Call-1		
1	Improvements of Roads and Drains and other Basic Infrastructures in Ward No.130 Amount Put to Tender : Rs.: 416.64 lakhs.	500.00	6,30,000/-
	Single Cover System Call-4 (Reserved for Others)		
2	Providing Temporary Control Room in Kengeri Sub Division for 6 months	15.00	37,500/-

Calendar of Events For Item No.1: (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from e-Procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** from **10-08-2020, 4.00 PM.** (2) Pre-bid meeting: **14-08-2020 at 4.00 PM at O/o Chief Engineer, RR Nagar Zone, RR Nagar.** (3) Last date and time for receipt of Tenders: **21-08-2020 upto 4.00 PM.** (4) Opening of Bids: **24-08-2020 at 4.00 PM.**
Calendar of Events For Item No.2: (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from e-Procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** from **10-08-2020, 4.00 PM.** (2) Last date and time for receipt of Tenders: **17-08-2020 upto 4.00 PM.** (3) Opening of Bids: **19-08-2020 at 4.00 PM.**
Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours on working days or from website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**
Sd/- Executive Engineer, Kengeri Division
"Pay development charges, help to develop Bengaluru"

LOST and FOUND
I, **RISHIK.A** S/o **AMARESH.T**, I have Lost Original 10th Std, CBSE Marks Card, New Baldwin's International Residential School, Bangalore, during the Year March 2017, **Roll No.4056307 Finders Please Contact:** Rishik.A R/at Thindlu Village, Sarjapura Post, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560099 **Ph No:9108289561**

PUBLIC NOTICE
The general public is hereby informed that our client intends to purchase the **ITEM No.1 SCHEDULE PROPERTY** described hereunder from its owners, (1) Sri. RAMESH, aged about 53 years, son of Sri Munilakshmaiah, (2) Smt. LAKSHMAMMA, aged about 46 years, wife of Sri.Ramesh, (3.) Sri SHIVARAJU, aged about 23 years, son of Sri Ramesh, and (4.) Sri.MANU KUMAR, aged about 20 years, son of Sri Ramesh, all residing at Bychapura, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District.
Further our client also intends to purchase the **ITEM No.2 SCHEDULE PROPERTY** described hereunder form its owners, (1) Sri.SHANKAR, aged about 47 years, son of Sri Munilakshmaiah, (2) Sri.S. MADHU KUMAR, aged about 22 years, son of Sri Shankar, and (3.) Sri S.SUNIL KUMAR, aged about 20 years, son of Sri Shankar, all residing at Bychapura, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District.
Any person / bank / society / firm / company / institutions or any other body, having any legally enforceable claims, right, title, interest, ownership on the below mentioned Schedule property, may lodge their objections, claims in writing with the supporting documents with the undersigned within 10 (TEN) days from the date of the issuance of this Public Notice, after which period our client/s shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the Schedule property
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
ITEM No.1: ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of land bearing Survey No.30/2, later survey No.30/4, measuring 0-32 guntas, situated at Rayasandra Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District and bounded on the:-
East by : Land belongs to Sri.Shankar;
West by : Land belongs to Sri Gopala;
North by : Land belongs to Sri Poovappa.
South by: Property belongs to BRIGADE VILLAS (Tamarind Trees).
ITEM No.2: ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of land bearing Survey No.30/5, measuring 0-32 guntas, situated at Rayasandra Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District and bounded on the:
East by : Land belongs to Sri Narayanaswamy, son of Sri Muniyappa;
West by : Land belongs to Sri.Ramesh;
North by : Tamarind Thopu;
South by: Land belongs to Sri Doddaponnappa
G.S. Srinivas,
AJS Advocates,
8, First Floor, II Main, 9th Cross, Indiranagar I Stage, Bangalore-560 038.
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SEPTEMBER E-AUCTION - 2020	
Date	DIVN/DEPOT
01.09.20	Tirupati
02.09.20	Lallaguda
03.09.20	Guntakal
04.09.20	Nanded, Rayanapadu
07.09.20	Secunderabad
08.09.20	Guntur
09.09.20	Vijayawada
10.09.20	Hyderabad
11.09.20	Rayanapadu
14.09.20	Tirupati
15.09.20	Lallaguda
16.09.20	Guntakal
17.09.20	Nanded
18.09.20	Secunderabad
21.09.20	Guntur
22.09.20	Vijayawada
23.09.20	Hyderabad
24.09.20	Rayanapadu
25.09.20	Tirupati, Secunderabad
28.09.20	Lallaguda
29.09.20	Guntakal
30.09.20	Vijayawada

OCTOBER e-Auction 2020	
Date	Divn/Depot
01.10.20	Secunderabad
05.10.20	Guntur, Tirupati
06.10.20	Vijayawada, Lallaguda
07.10.20	Hyderabad
08.10.20	Rayanapadu, Guntakal
09.10.20	Tirupati
12.10.20	Lallaguda
13.10.20	Nanded
14.10.20	Guntur
15.10.20	Secunderabad
16.10.20	Guntakal
19.10.20	Vijayawada
20.10.20	Hyderabad
21.10.20	Rayanapadu
22.10.20	Tirupati
26.10.20	Lallaguda, Vijayawada
27.10.20	Guntakal
28.10.20	Nanded, Rayanapadu
29.10.20	Secunderabad

Principal Chief Material Manager, Secunderabad
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For further tender conditions / details and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at http://www.ireps.gov.in or www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
362.12	Sensex	38,025.45	₹40	24 carat (1 gm)	₹5,480	₹2,000	Per kg	₹73,500	Dollar		74.92
98.5	Nifty	11,200.15	₹40	22 carat (1 gm)	₹5,380	₹2	Per gm	₹73.50	Euro		88.78

Industry is encouraged by the RBI's decision to provide a window under the Prudential Framework to enable lenders implement a resolution plan in respect of their corporate exposure, with the necessary caveats in place. It is hoped that the expert committee led by K V Kamath will come out with norms that will enable banks to monitor businesseses while enforcing timely payments as per the restructuring plan — Uday Kotak, President, CII

We welcome the broadening of the scope of priority sector lending to include start-ups, solar power and compressed biogas plants under the renewable energy limits. The incentive framework laid out with the objective of minimising regional disparities is a step in the right direction —Sangita Reddy, President, FICCI

RBI's monetary policy action is in continuation of its priority to ease economic stress and ensure a sound financial system in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic. The one-time restructuring of corporate and personal debt, including those of MSMEs, will help alleviate the stress faced by borrowers in these difficult times, while ensuring the soundness of the banking system and focus on credit culture —Chandra Shekhar Ghosh, MD & CEO, Bandhan Bank

Relaxation of the loan-to-value ratio up to 90% for gold loans is a great relief for households who are facing liquidity crunch due to loss of income. Also, the additional liquidity window of ₹5,000 crore each for housing finance companies and NABARD is a positive move for stressed sectors —Deepak Sood, Secretary General, Assocham

Stressed MSMEs get liquidity lifeline from Reserve Bank

The central bank guidelines now provide for a scheme which allows a one-time restructuring of existing loans to MSMEs classified, but there are a few caveats

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

DURING its second bi-monthly monetary meet held on Thursday, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has given a fresh lifeline to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) — one of the worst hit sectors by the Covid-induced lockdown — allowing banks to restructure stressed loans one time without classifying them as non-performing assets.

A restructuring framework for MSMEs that were in default, but were standard on January 1, 2020 is already in place. "The scheme has provided relief to a large number of MSMEs. With COVID-19 continuing to disrupt normal functioning and cash flows, the stress in the MSME sector has got accentuated, warranting further support," RBI Governor Shaktikant Das said. Accordingly, the six-member monetary policy committee (MPC), headed by Das has decided that stressed MSME borrowers will be made eligible for restructuring their debt under the existing framework, provided their accounts with the lenders were classified as standard as on March 1, 2020. "This restructuring will have to be implemented by March 31, 2021," Das added. However, some conditions that are put on the loans so that it is not misused include: aggregate exposure, including non-fund based facilities, of banks and NBFCs to the borrower does not exceed ₹25 crore as on March 1, 2020.

Also the restructuring will be allowed only to those borrowers, whose account was 'standard asset' as on March 1, 2020. That apart, bankers will have to keep 10 per cent additional provision for such loans. Also the restructuring had to be done by March 2021. Besides, MSMEs need to have GST registration to avail the facility, even as in some cases there are exemptions granted.

Earlier, the MSME ministry officials in a joint presentation to the parliamentary committee had voiced that over 100 million jobs are in danger, mainly on account of lockdown.

Realty players hail fund infusion, seek more help

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

TO increase liquidity in the housing sector, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has decided to allocate an additional ₹5,000 crore to the National Housing Bank (NHB). Besides, the central bank's loan resolution plan and unchanged repo rate was widely welcomed by reality players even as they wanted an additional cut and extention on loan moratorium.

Anuj Puri, chairman, ANAROCK Property Consultants, said that the allotment of ₹5,000 crore each to National Housing Bank and NABARD is a much-needed step for sectors including real estate reeling under the liquidity crisis.

"It will help infuse capital into the HFCs and eventually provide relief to developers battling liquidity issues in COVID-19 times," Puri said.

However, the industry, like many others, was expecting extension of loan moratorium which is ending on August 31. The RBI, however, decided to favour the banks and did not announce an extension as such.

"An extension in the Loan moratorium would have helped lower and middle-income groups to better manage their finances. Growth recovery in rural areas has been robust as per RBI's estimates, would expect a similar recovery Pan-India," said Manju Yagnik, Vice Chairperson, Nahar Group and Vice President NAREDCO (Maharashtra).

Going forward, the realty sector requires additional support at this stage as it can act as a catalyst in resurrecting the economy, backed by stringent fiscal and non-fiscal measures, House of Hiranandani CMD Surendra Hiranandani, noted.

'Priority Lending' status for start-ups to ease credit woes amid Covid-19 crisis

BISMAH MALIK @ Bengaluru

THE struggling start-up community in India, challenged with liquidity crunch, is pinning hopes on a revival after the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) announced to broaden the scope of Priority sector Lending (PSL) by including start-ups. The announcement follows RBI Governor Shantikanta Das' call for "policy reorientation" to help start-ups that are facing funding constraints due to the COVID-19 pandemic in a bid togenerate employment and for overall economic growth.

IT industry body Nasscom President, Debjani Ghosh, while welcoming the decision said that broadening the scope of priority sector lending to include startups and setting up an innovation hub are both great steps towards promoting

and facilitating an environment that accelerates innovation. A recent Nasscom survey analysing the impact of the pandemic on the start-up ecosystem suggested that 70 per cent of the startups will have cash reserves for only three months whereas just 8 per cent can continue operations until nine months and beyond. According to the report, 90 per cent of the startups faced a revenue decline and 40 per cent were in the process of shutting down in the wake of the virus-related disruptions.

Even as investors have lined up for funding start-ups in the online education, healthtech and e-commerce space, other sectors such as hospitality, travel/tourism, retail, real estate have suffered a major revenue drop in the first half of 2020. According to Sandeep Singh, co-founder and President, Khabri, regional digital audio platform, the measure announced by the RBI is a bold move. "Borrowing was a challenge due to weak credit history for most of the bootstrapped start-ups and especially during crisis situations like the pandemic when cash flow is uncertain. Access to timely and adequate bank credit will for sure take a big burden off entrepreneurs' shoulders," he told *TNIE*.

RBI pushes banks to lend up to 90% against gold

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Chennai

THE Reserve Bank of India on Thursday relaxed the gold lending norms by increasing the permissible loan to value ratio (LTV) for gold loans from existing 75 per cent to 90 per cent. As per the new guidelines, lenders are now allowed to give up to 90 per cent of the value of gold ornaments pledged as loans for non-agricultural purposes.

The relaxations will be applicable on loans availed up to March 31, 2021. According to RBI, the move is aimed to enable the cash-strapped borrowers to tide over their temporary liquidity mismatches which has arisen due to COVID 19 pandemic.

Both lenders and borrowers have welcomed the decision. The borrowers, who struggle to pay personal and business loans, will be benefited as they will now get a higher loan against the same quantity of gold, while the lenders are optimistic as the move will help in expansion of the industry and increase their gold loan books.

Timing is apt

Experts say the relaxation timing is very apt as gold prices has now surged to an all-time high while the demand for gold loans has gone up significantly after Covid-19

Saurabh Kumar, head of Gold Loans, IIFL Finance, said "RBI's policy on revision in LTV will provide a much-needed support. Today MSMEs and farmers need capital to restart and gold loan is an easy product and people can avail this loan over the counter within 30 mins." Customers will now be able to access more capital with ease which, in turn, would help in restarting businesses without any obligations, he added.

DEAL DONE

Byju's acquires coding start-up WhiteHat Jr

BISMAH MALIK @ Bengaluru

EDTECH unicorn Byju's has acquired online school coding start-up WhiteHat Jr. for $300 million in an all-cash deal. An 18-months-old startup, WhiteHat Jr.'s valuation has grown by more than double with its acquisition by India's leading online education firm, Byju's.

Founded in November 2018, WhiteHat Jr. helps kids aged between 6 and 14 years build commercial-ready games, animations and apps online using the fundamentals of coding.

In addition to the latest funding, Byju's will also make significant investments in WhiteHat Jr's technology platform, product innovation while expanding the teacher base to cater to demand from new markets. WhiteHat Jr. Founder Karan Bajaj will continue to lead and scale this business in India and the US.

Recently, WhiteHat Jr had announced their plans to expand in other global markets like Canada, UK, Australia and New Zealand (ANZ) after a stellar growth in the US for its one-to-one online coding classes. After launching their courses in the US in February this year, the company is growing at 160 per cent month-on-month in the country.

"We started WhiteHat Jr. to make kids creators instead of consumers of technology. Technology is at the centre of every human interaction today and we had set out to create a coding curriculum that was being delivered live and connected students and teachers like never before. Integration with a visionary company such as Byju's will help take this idea to new heights," Bajaj added.

TODAY'S STOCK PICK

TECH MAHINDRA

Current Price ₹659.95

Target Price ₹750

Despite the elongated decision-making cycles, the company hinted at improving deal pipeline. Revenue and margins are expected to improve from here on. We believe the sector re-rating is likely to sustain given the phenomenal resilience and adaptability demonstrated during the quarter. Accordingly, we see some headroom for the P/E multiple of TechM to catch up.

— Motilal Oswal Securities Limited

Disclaimer: The views and recommendations made above are that of the individual analyst or broking company, and not that of *The New Indian Express*.

Vodafone Idea Q1 loss mounts to ₹25 K cr

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

TROUBLED telecom giant Vodafone Idea Ltd (VIL) on Thursday reported a consolidated net loss of ₹25,460.2 crore for the quarter ended June 30, 2020 against a loss of ₹4,873.90 crore reported same quarter last year. The massive net loss was mainly attributed to losses incurred by exceptional items which included the AGR provisions and VIL said its ability to continue as going concern hinges on the Supreme Court allowing time to pay dues.

"During this quarter, on prudence, we have recognized a charge of ₹19,400 crore as an exceptional item towards the total estimated AGR liability, in addition to estimated recognized liability of ₹46000 crore as on March 31, 2020," the company said. The nation's third-largest telecom operator's revenue from operations came in at ₹10,659.3 crore for the first quarter of FY21, sliding 5.4 per cent from the year-ago period.

The fiscal's first quarter numbers were impacted by nationwide lockdown. VIL said that the availability of recharges due to store closure and ability of customers to recharge on account of economic slowdown were "impacted" during the "challenging quarter". The telco's subscriber base also fell to 279.8 million in June quarter from 291.1 million in March quarter.

Jubilant FoodWorks forays into ₹500 cr ready-to-cook market

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

JUBILANT FoodWorks Limited, the master franchisee of Domino's Pizza and Dunkin' Donuts branded restaurants in India, on Thursday announced its entry into the ready-to-cook pastes and sauces market capitalizing on the growing home-cooking trend in India.

The company is launching its range of products under the brand — ChefBoss — which will now be available in Amazon nationally, Flipkart Supermart in the NCR, Mumbai and Bangalore areas, and Milkbasket (NCR).

"The product range includes the Hyderabadi Biryani paste, Lucknowi Biryani paste, Makhani gravy, Manchurian cooking sauce and Honey Chilli stir fry sauce & dip among other variants. The company plans to expand the brand's availability by adding more e-commerce platforms as well as retailing through supermarkets and hypermarkets in the near future," it said in a exchange filing.

With this move, Jubilant will compete directly with packaged food makers such as Nestle, that sells a range of ready-made spice mixes for preparing dishes , Hindustan Unilever, Ching's Secret, Dr. Oetkar's Fun Foods, and other niche brands. The products come in convenient sizes of 150gm and 200gm priced at ₹75 and ₹100, respectively.

"Demand for ready-to-cook food products has been increasing over the last few years on account of busier lifestyles of consumers and their desire to explore different cuisines at home. During Covid-19 we have seen an acceleration of this trend and therefore an exponential growth in demand for these products," said Vikran Sabherwal, senior vice-president, new business, Jubilant FoodWorks Limited.

Jubilant can cross market these brands via its strong feet on street, app and websites. "The challenge will be reaching hypermarket as width of products is limited compared to Nestle, HUL," Abneesh Roy, EVP, Edelweiss Securities, said.

EXPRESS READ

Tata Nexon available on monthly rent now

Guwahati/Kolkata: Tata Motors on Thursday launched a first-of-its-kind subscription plan for its e-SUV, Nexon EV to make it more accessible. Nexon is now available with a monthly subscription plan at just ₹41,900 per month. Customers can select the tenure of subscription from 18 months to 24 and 36 months, depending up on their requirements, Tata said.

Business & Beyond

BoB rolls out 2% interest subvention scheme

Bank of Baroda (BoB) has rolled out a scheme for two per cent interest subvention for 12 months for the SHISHU category of borrowers under MUDRA scheme whose accounts were standard as of March 2020. Borrowers who have availed moratorium on repayment of their loan dues will receive interest subvention from Sept 2020 to August 2021, a release issued by the bank said.

NLCIL honours Selvi G.V. Oviya for outstanding achievement

R. Vikraman, Director (HR), NLC India Limited, has honoured Selvi G.V. Oviya, a visually challenged girl from Neyveli who wrote the 10th standard CBSE Board examination independently using technology (special laptop). Oviya, a student of Jawahar Higher Secondary School, Neyveli, has scored 447 marks out of 500. She is the first girl in the southern region of CBSE Board comprising of Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Maharashtra, etc.

Kharagpur division runs parcel cargo express trains

The Kharagpur Division of South Eastern Railway has geared up its entire network to run parcel cargo express trains towards different destinations for maintaining uninterrupted supply of essential commodities to every nook and corner of the country in the wake of Covid-19. In July, Kharagpur Division loaded 7,744 MT in parcel cargo express trains as against 5,158 MT loaded in June 2020, achieving a growth of 50 per cent. Revenue for July stood at ₹2.86 crore.

Raman R assumes charge as GM (Internal Audit), BEL

Raman R took charge as General Manager (Internal Audit) of navratna defence PSU Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) on August 1. Prior to this, he was working as additional general manager (Internal Audit) at BEL-Corporate Office.

CLW produces 31 electric locos in July

Chittaranjan Locomotive Works (CLW), a production unit of Indian Railways, turned out 31 electric locos in July 2020, taking the cumulative figure to 62 locos for FY21. Despite COVID-19-related restrictions & supply chain constraints, the staff & officers gave impetus and support to the production line. It is expected that loco production will further gain momentum.

Vartika Shukla is Director (Technical) of EIL

Vartika Shukla has been appointed as Director (Technical) of Engineers India Limited (EIL) w.e.f. August 1. She graduated in chemical engineering from IIT- Kanpur in 1988 and is certified with an Executive General Management Program from IIM Lucknow. She possesses over 32 years of consulting experience comprising design, engineering, etc.

BCCI, CA to discuss hosting T20 WC

BCCI president Sourav Ganguly is expected to have talks with Cricket Australia chairman Earl Eddings about the 2021 and 2022 T20 World Cups, during Friday's ICC Board meeting. The ICC has announced the events without naming the host country. The World Cup slated for this year was cancelled due to the pandemic.

DHONI RESUMES NETS IN RANCHI

In absence of bowlers due to the shutdown, Chennai skipper makes do with bowling machines at JSCA indoor facility ahead of IPL

FIROZ MIRZA @Chennai

FANS have been waiting anxiously to watch MS Dhoni in action ever since the IPL Governing Council announced that the tournament will be held in the UAE from September 19 to November 10. Dhoni, who has not played a competitive match since India's World Cup semifinal exit last year, had started training at Chennai's MA Chidambaram Stadium with his CSK teammates in March when the pandemic led to the postponement of the tournament.

Since returning to Ranchi, the former India captain has spent most of his time at home with occasional visits to his farmhouse. As the dates of the league are out now, Dhoni too has decided to wield the willow and get back into the groove.

The three-time IPL winning captain and multiple-time finalist is back at the nets. This is happening in Ranchi and in absence of bowlers due to the shutdown, the former India skipper is making do with bowling machines.

"He visited the JSCA International Stadium Complex last week. He practised at the indoor facility using bowling machine," a Jharkhand State Cricket Association (JSCA) office-bearer confirmed to this daily on condition of anonymity. "He did batting practice for two days over the weekend, but has not returned since."

MS Dhoni has not played a competitive match since the World Cup last July

Given the hype that surrounds his every move and secrecy he maintains, it's not a surprise that no one knows Dhoni's schedule. "I honestly don't know what are his plans or whether he will come back for training. We only know he has visited the facility for practice," said the official.

Before the lockdown, Dhoni was a regular visitor to the JSCA complex. His routine included training at the gym and having nets. He also inaugurated a pitch around that time. However, he stopped visiting the facility once the lockdown came into effect.

As confirmed by team CSK CEO Kasi Viswanathan, the team will assemble in Chennai before leaving for UAE after August 20 so that they can have three weeks of practice ahead of the event. Given the long layoff he has had, the 39-year-old might have a few more training sessions in his hometown before joining the team.

Franchises to make new jerseys

VENKATA KRISHNA B @Chennai

ON Thursday, as the BCCI finally confirmed that their partnership with title sponsor Vivo has been suspended for IPL 2020, franchises were to yet to hear what lies ahead for them. They eight teams were supposed to have a video conference with BCCI officials and IPL Governing Council chairman Brijesh Patel. But now, that is tentatively scheduled for Friday.

While the BCCI plans to put out a request for proposals in search of a new title sponsor, the franchises are preparing for a substantial loss in income, even if the board takes care of the operational costs like it did during the 2014 edition.

The change of sponsor means, some of the franchises which had already got their kits in place, have to make new ones as the name and logo of Vivo has to be removed. While they are scheduled to leave by August 20, the franchises want the BCCI to decide on the new sponsor soon as the teams have only a couple of weeks to get new kits in place.

The story isn't the same everywhere. For some franchises, a few of their principal sponsors who had signed a deal for IPL in April-May, have pulled out due to the pandemic. Apart from losing out on ₹26 crore that they earned from Vivo every season, they also stand to suffer a significant cut. Some of their own sponsors have requested for a 20 per cent reduction.

No Vivo for 2020 only

The BCCI has announced Vivo will not be the title sponsor of IPL for the 2020 edition. This leaves the door open for the Chinese smartphone maker to become the title sponsor in 2021 and 2022, which are the remaining years according to the contract. By severing ties only for one year, BCCI may also have tried to secure the future since few companies will be willing to offer ₹440 crore per year. Details on **newindianexpress.com**

Players under quarantine

Meanwhile, franchises have instructed the players to buy all their essentials for their stay in UAE, as they won't be allowed to step out of the bio-bubble any circumstances. A few Indian players are already under home quarantine as told by their franchises. Mumbai Indians have put their players under quarantine in a city hotel, where they will undergo Covid-19 tests.

Chennai Super Kings are still waiting for instructions from BCCI to assemble their players in the city, where they plan to fly out from. Dubai will be their base throughout the tournament.

THE LEAGUE RETURNS

Two favourites are up against it as the Champions League returns. Here's a look at two of the four remaining last 16 matches...

JUVENTUS (0) VS LYON (1)

Juve secured Ronaldo for a record fee with the hope of bagging European football's principal trophy. Even though he has shone brightly in the league, it hasn't worked out yet in Europe. The Turin giants are in danger of not even getting out of the last 16. They will once again look to Ronaldo to rescue them after losing the first leg in France. Lyon have a few ball players to get them the tie and advance to the last eight.

2018-19
Real Madrid lost at this stage even last season, against Ajax

MAN CITY (2) VS REAL MADRID (1)

The unstoppable attack comes face to face against the rock at the back. City have scored 37 goals in 12 matches across all competitions since the restart. Real Madrid have conceded 6 in 11 matches. But the dynamics of this match could mean Madrid might be forced to play a more expansive game, and this City have the men to attack sides on break.

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EXPRESS READ

Masood, bowlers put Pakistan on top

MANCHESTER: England suffered a top-order collapse after Shan Masood's ton (156) established a strong position for Pakistan in the first Test on Thursday. England were 92-4 at stumps on the second day. Mohammad Abbas took two wickets while Shaheen Afridi and Yasir Shah took one each. Earlier, Pakistan scored 326 in their first innings.

Tokyo-bound shuttlers to restart training

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @Chennai

BADMINTON Olympic hopefuls will restart training at the SAI Gopichand Academy in Hyderabad from Friday. Chief national coach Pullela Gopichand confirmed the development to this daily. "We will be starting training tomorrow (Friday) and the progression we will decide after looking at the players' fitness levels and also the coming tournaments. We will take this journey forward step by step."

A circular from SAI went to all the players who will be part of this camp. While PV Sindhu, Saina Nehwal and Sai Praneeth are all expected to be present from Friday, the fourth singles exponent, Kidambi Srikanth, may take a few days to begin. He is still in Guntur so it's unlikely that he can resume training on Friday. Praneeth confirmed to this daily that he will go.

But it's likely that doubles training, comprising Sikki Reddy, Ashwini Ponnappa, Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty, will take time to catch speed. It's because three of the four players are not in Hyderabad now. Ashwini is training at Prakash Padukone Badminton Academy, while Chirag is in Mumbai. His partner, Satwiksairaj, is in his hometown of Amalapuram. So suffice to say doubles training may take time to restart, a point Sikki touched upon.

"There is no clarity on who I will train with," she said. "Ashwini (her doubles partner) is in Bengaluru. I can train with Sumeeth Reddy (not an Olympic hopeful) or with a few of the youngsters at the academy. To this suggestion, I haven't yet got a reply. Hopefully, there is clarity on Friday."

RAIL WHEEL FACTORY
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Website : www.rwf.indianrailways.gov.in e-mail: smm.p3.rwf@gmail.com

Tender Notice No.RWF/S/001/2020 Dated 23.07.2020

On behalf of the President of India, the Principal Chief Materials Manager invites Open Tender from experienced OEMs / Manufacturers or authorized agents of foreign manufacturers for supply of the following item :

Tender Number	Item Description	Quantity	Tender Opening Date and Time
Electronic Tender through the website www.ireps.gov.in			
P3201020	Graphite Mould Blanks 1224 mm dia x 575 mm height.	50 Nos.	21/08/2020 at 14:15 hrs.

Tender details can be viewed on our website www.ireps.gov.in or www.rwf.indianrailways.gov.in
Principal Chief Materials Manager

National Health Mission
Karnataka State Health & Family Welfare Society
DH&FW, 1st Floor, Anand Rao Circle, Bengaluru-09
Ph: 080-22341985, e-mail: cao-nhm@karnataka.gov.in

No : DD/FW/07/13592/2019-20 Date : 07.08.2020

SHORT TERM MANUAL TENDER NOTIFICATION
SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF IT EQUIPMENT (LAPTOP, DESKTOP COMPUTER AND PRINTER)

KSHFWS invites manual short term tender from Manufactures / Authorized dealers for **Supply and installation of IT Equipments (Laptop, Desktop Computer and Printer)** with necessary documents for Family Welfare programme under National Health Mission. The tender document can be collected from the Office of Project Director, RCH, 1st Floor, Anand Rao Circle, HFWS, Bengaluru-09 from **07.08.2020,11.30 Hrs onwards** and last date for collecting and submission of tender is on or before **17.08.2020, 17.30 hrs**.

Further details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned during the office hours from **10.00 to 17.30 Hrs**.

Sd/-
DIPR/DDU/YC/712/2020-21 PROJECT DIRECTOR, RCH

CHAMUNDESHWARI ELECTRICITY SUPPLY CORPORATION LIMITED (A Govt. of Karnataka undertaking)

Corporate Office Address No 29, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, Hinakal, Mysuru-570017 Website: www.cescmysore.org CIN:U40109KA2004SGC035177

Office of the chief Engineer (Ele), O & M Zone, KPTCL Santhepet, B.M. Road, Hassan. Ph.No: 08172-260368 Fax No: 08172-233855 E-Mail: ceehsn@cescmysore.org

No: CESC/CEE/SEE/AEE/AE/F-24/2020-21/ 1126 Date: **27.07.2020**

TENDER NOTIFICATION [e-Procurement Mode]

Chief Engineer (Ele), O & M Zone, Hassan on behalf of CESC, Mysore invites bids from Class-1 Electrical contractor for following tenders in Hassan Circle under Total Turnkey basis. 1.Running new 11 KV Thimmanahally feeder from Javagal MUSS to Nerlige Bus stand for bifurcation of load from over loaded F-8 Nerlige feeder from Javagal 110/11 KV Javagal MUSS in Javagal section Banavara Sub division, Arsikere Division, Hassan Circle. 2.Running new 11 KV Handralu feeder from Javagal MUSS to Bandhur for bifurcation of load from over loaded F-5 Bandhur feeder emitting from Javagal 110/11 KV Javagal MUSS in Javagal section Banavara Sub division, Arsikere Division, Hassan Circle. **Sl. No.1)Enquiry no.** CESC/CEE/SEE/AEE/AE/2020-21/002Dated: 24.07.2020. **Location:** Arsikere **Amount put to tender:** 45.31 Lakhs **EMD in:** 1,13,300/- 2)CESC/CEE/SEE/AEE/AE/2020-21/003Dated: 24.07.2020. **Location:** Arsikere **Amount put to tender:** 65.81 Lakhs **EMD in:** 1,64,550/- The tender documents will be available on or after **04.08.2020.** The details regarding participation in the tender can be obtained through e-Procurement portal of Government of Karnataka http//www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in or help desk 080-25501227/ 25501216 or email address hphelpdesk.blr@intarvo.com The last date for submission of bids will be on **04.09.2020. @ 10:00 Hrs**. The prospective bidders can obtain further details from the office of the undersigned.

DIPR/AD/AGENCY/RO NO/2020-21/144 sd/- Chief Engineer (Ele.), O&M Zone, CESC, Hassan.

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CSIR-NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
इंडस्ट्रियल एस्टेट डाक, पाप्पनंकोड / Industrial Estate Post
तिरुवनंतपुरम / Thiruvananthapuram - 695019; फोन / Ph: 0471-2515298 Email: niistcivil@niist.res.inwww.niist.res.in

No. NIIST/65/ESD-C/E-NIT (1-3)/2020-21 Dated: 06–August-2020

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

निदेशक, सीएसआईआर – एनआईआईएसटी निम्नलिखित कार्यों के लिए आइटम दर ई–निविदा आमंत्रित करते हैं The Director, CSIR-NIIST invite Item Rate e-tenders for the following works:

1.एनआईआईएसटी परिसर, त्रिवेंद्रम में विभिन्न प्रयोगशाला भवनों का नवीनीकरण सह नवीनीकरण और टॉयलेट ब्लॉक आदि सहित मुख्य भवन का रखरखाव। / Renovation cum Refurbishment of Various Laboratory Buildings and Maintenance of Main building including Toilet Block etc. at NIIST Campus, Trivandrum.
[पीएसी/PAC=Rs.2664410/-|ईएमडी/EMD=Rs.53300/-| [निविदा प्रोसेसिंग फी/Tender Processing Fee=Rs.590/-|अवधि / Duration=8 महीने months].

2.एनआईआईएसटी परिसर, त्रिवेंद्रम में मेटल प्रोसेसिंग ब्लॉक, भवन निर्माण सामग्री शेड और विभिन्न प्रयोगशाला भवनों का नवीनीकरण/Refurbishment of Metal Processing Block, Building Material shed and various Laboratory Buildings in NIIST Campus, Trivandrum
[पीएसी/PAC=Rs.665830/-|ईएमडी/EMD=Rs.13320/-| [निविदा प्रोसेसिंग फी/TenderProcessingFee=Rs.590/-|अवधि/Duration=4 महीने months].

3. एनआईआईएसटी परिसर, त्रिवेंद्रम में नवीकरणीय अवसंरचना का नवीकरण सह पुनर्विन्त – स्कॉलर्स हॉस्टल, वैज्ञानिक अपार्टमेंट और स्टाफ क्वार्टर आदि/Renovation cum Refurbishment of Residential infrastructures – Scholars Hostel, Scientist Apartment & staff Quarters etc. at NIIST Campus, Trivandrum.
[पीएसी/PAC=Rs.891900/-|ईएमडी/EMD=Rs.17840/-| [निविदा प्रोसेसिंग फी/Tender Processing Fee=Rs.590/-|अवधि/Duration=4 महीने months].

निविदा दस्तावेज डाउनलोड की अंतिम तिथि **18/08/2020** है। पात्रता, टी एंड सी, विस्तृत एनआईटी, टेंडर, कोरिगेंडम आदि के बारे में विस्तृत जानकारी के लिए कृपया ई–टेंडरिंग पोर्टल **http://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app.** पर लॉग इन करें।

Tender document download End date is **18/08/2020.** For detailed information regarding Eligibility, T & C, Detailed NIT, Tender, corrigendum etc., kindly log on e-Tendering portal **http://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app.**

प्रधान, ईएसडी / **Head, ESD**

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. SEE/Tr(W&M)C/KLB/DCA/EE(O)/AEE-1/20-21/1760 Date: 05.08.2020

TENDER NOTIFICATION (E-procurement mode only)

KPTCL invites bids for the following works:

1) Bid Enquiry No. KPTCL/SEE/TR(W&M)C/KLB/2019-20/ PTR repair at Kolhar/Call-3 Dtd: 11.09.2019 for Repair and reconditioning of faulty 10MVA, 110/11KV APEX make Power Transformer bearing (Sl. No. T-933A/01) failed at 110/33-11KV **Kolhar** Sub-station in Bidar District and available at 220KV Shahabad Repair Bay in Trans (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, Kalaburgi.

2) Bid Enquiry No. KPTCL/SEE/TR(W&M)C/KLB/2019-20/ PTR repair at Sedam/Call-3 Dtd: 11.09.2019 for Repair and reconditioning of failed 10MVA, 110/33-11KV APEX make power Transformer bearing (Sl. No. T-855A/04) available at 220/110/33-11KV **Sedam** R/S, in TL&SS Division, KPTCL, Yadgir.

3) Bid Enquiry No. KPTCL/SEE/TR(W&M)C/KLB/2020-21/ PTR repair at Chincholi/Dtd: 03.08.2020 for Repair and reconditioning of failed 10MVA, 110/33-11KV Andrew Yule make power Transformer bearing (Sl. No. 13008) available at 110KV S/s **Chincholi,** in TL&SS Division, KPTCL, Yadgir.

The bids will be received through e-procurement mode only. The detailed notification regarding the subject enquiry in the E-procurement process can be obtained by logging on to website: **https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** on hyperlink **"List of Tenders"** on or afer **10.08.2020 after 12.05 PM.** Any other details can be had from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- **Superintending Engineer, El., Trans (W&M) Circle,** KPTCL, Sedam Road, Kalaburgi. Ph/Fax: 08472-256176,

The Brihanmumbai Electric Supply & Transport Undertaking
(Of The Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation)

TENDER NOTICE

e-tender are re-invited for the supply of following items.
(1) 68194, (2) 68211, (3) 68177, (12) 68253 Hiring of Single Deck CNG Non AC Buses (Corrigendum).

Note : For more details, log on to website **https://mahatenders.gov.in.**

PRO/AAM(M)/33/2020. **GENERAL MANAGER**

KARNATAKA STATE BEVERAGES CORPORATION LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
4th Floor, TTMC Building, 'A' Block, BMTC, K.H. Road, Shanthinagar, Bengaluru - 560 027.
Phone: 080-22483636/38/39 Fax:22483645, 22113106

No.KSBCL/MI/PRN-CART/EPSON/Tender/004/2020-21 Date:07.08.2020

e-TENDER NOTIFICATION

Karnataka State Beverages Corporation Limited (KSBCL) invites online tender under KTPP Act 1999, Rules 2000 from the interested bidders for "**Rate Contract for Supply of Original Ribbon Cartridges for TVSE Platina DP 5000 Dot Matrix Printers to KSBCL Head Office & Depots.**

The detailed tender documents can be downloaded from e-procurement website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** and also from Corporation's website **http://www.ksbcl.com** under tab what's new.

Last date and time for receipt of offers : **24.08.2020, 17:00 Hours.** Date and Time of opening of offers : **26.08.2020, 11:30 Hours.** For further clarifications, please contact the above mentioned office during office hours.

Sd/- Executive Director (F & A)

भारत सरकार/ GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, अंतरिक्ष विभाग / DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
विक्रम साराभाई अंतरिक्ष केंद्र/ VIKRAM SARABHAI SPACE CENTRE
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तिरुवनंतपुरम/, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM- 22
(फोन नं. /Ph. No.:0471 2564568 / 2564537)

ई-निविदा सूचना सं वीएसएससी / सीएमजी / सिविल /05/2020-21 दिनांक 04.08.2020
E-Tender Notice No. VSSC/CMG/CIVIL/05/2020-21 Dt. 04.08.2020

ई-निविदा आमंत्रित करते हुए संक्षिप्त सूचना / **BRIEF NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER**

I. भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से, **सम्मिश्र श्रेणी** के अधिन निम्नलिखित कार्य के लिए ई-टेंडरिंग द्वारा ऑनलाइन मद-दर निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं। / On behalf of the President of India, online item-rate tenders are invited through e-tendering for the following work under **composite category.**

क्र.सं. Sl.No.	विवरण / Description	ब्यौरे / Details
1.	कार्य का शीर्षक / Title of work	टर्ल्स, वीएसएससी, तुंबा में उच्च विस्फोटक युक्ति समुच्चयन सुविधा तथा एएसओई एनडीटी सुविधा (स्पार्क सुविधाएं) के लिए भवनों का निर्माण (सिविल, पीएच तथा वैद्युत कार्य) / Construction of Buildings for High Explosive Device Assembly Facility and ASOE NDT Facility (SPARC Facilities) at TERLS, VSSC, Thumba (Civil, PH & Electrical works)
2.	निविदा में दी गई अनुमानित लागत / Estimate cost put to tender	कुल / Total - ₹ 1048.15 लाख / Lakhs ए/a) सिविल तथा पीएच कार्य / Civil & PH works - ₹ 825.40 लाख / Lakhs बी/b) वैद्युत कार्य / Electrical works - ₹ 222.75 लाख / Lakhs
3.	कार्य पूरा होने की तिथि/ Period of completion	14 (चौदह / Fourteen) महीने/ months
4.	बयाना जमा राशि (ईएमडी) / Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	₹ 20,48,150/-
5.	अवधि जिसके दौरान निविदा दस्तावेज़ को डाउनलोड किया जा सकता है/ Period during which the tender document can be downloaded.	से /From 07.08.2020, 10.00 बजे / Hrs. तक / to 26.08.2020, 23.00 बजे / Hrs.
6.	बोली स्पष्टीकरण / Bid clarifications.	से /From 07.08.2020, 10.00 बजे / Hrs. तक / to 27.08.2020, 16.00 बजे / Hrs.
7.	निविदा पाने की अंतिम तिथि व समय / Last date and time for receipt of tenders.	को तक / Up to 28.08.2020, 14.30 बजे / Hrs.
8.	निविदा खोलने की अंतिम तिथि व समय / Due date and time of opening of tenders	को / On 01.09.2020, 15.00 बजे / Hrs.

II. योग्यता मानदंड तथा अन्य ब्यौरों को पाने के लिए इच्छुक निविदाकार ई-निविदा आमंत्रित करते हुए विस्तृत सूचना (ई-एनआइटी) का अवलोकन करें, जिसे www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO से डाउनलोड किया जा सकता है।/ Interested tenderers may please refer **detailed Notice Inviting E-Tender (E-NIT)** for eligibility criteria and other details, which can be downloaded from Website: www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO

Sd/-
समूह निदेशक, सीएमजी, वीएसएससी / Group Director, CMG, VSSC

KARNATAKA STATE FINANCIAL CORPORATION
Established under the State Financial Corporation Act 1951
Branch Office: Plot No.7, M.P. No. 1-1-53, Udaya Nagar, Station Road, Raichur-584101 Phone: 08532-227028 | Email: rch@ksfc.co

POSSESSION NOTICE
{(Appendix IV) Rule 8 (1)}

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Karnataka State Financial Corporation under the Securitisation & Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement)Rules, 2002 issued a **demand notice dated: 28-05-2020** calling upon the borrower **Sri N.Venkatanarayana Reddy s/o Chinna Konda Reddy, Proprietor of M/s. Varsha Enterprises, Raichur, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs.1,47,73,666-61 (Rupees One Crore forty seven lakhs seventy three thousand six hundred sixty six and paise sixty one only)** as on **10-3-2020** within **60 days** from the date of the said notice. The above Demand Notice was duly served.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 9 of the said Rules on this **5th day of August of the year 2020.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not a deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Karnataka State Financial Corporation** for an amount of **Rs.1,47,73, 666-61** and interest thereon.

Description of the immovable Property

All that piece and parcel of Open Plot No.103, Mpl.No.1-12-151/103, situated at PCB Layout, Raichur and measuring 30'x40', together with building constructed and to be constructed there on and bounded on the - **East by:** Plot No. 96, **West by:** 9 Mtr. Wide Road, **North by:** Plot No.102 (Thayamma Temple) & **South by:** Plot No.104.

Place : RAICHUR Sd/-
Date : 05-08-2020 AUTHORISED OFFICER

OCEAN PREDATORS FACE EXISTENTIAL PRESSURES

Researchers note that predators living in marine habitats did face an elevated extinction risk, suggesting that ocean predators may be facing greater existential pressures than their land-dwelling counterparts

Moderna vaccine candidate protects mice from Covid-19

The rodents showed no evidence of excessive mucus production, indicating mRNA-1273 did not cause enhanced disease

HOPE

WASHINGTON: A US biotechnology company's vaccine candidate protected mice from infection with SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes Covid-19, according to a study published in the journal *Nature* on Wednesday.

The findings by scientists, including those from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) in the US, show that the vaccine, known as mRNA-1273, induced neutralising antibodies in mice when given as two intramuscular injections of a 1-microgramme (mcg) dose three weeks apart.

Additional experiments found that mice given two injections of the 1-mcg dose and later challenged with SARS-CoV-2 virus either five or 13 weeks after the second injection were protected from viral replication in the lungs and nose, the researchers said.

Mice challenged seven weeks after only a single dose of 1 mcg or 10 mcg of mRNA-1273 were also protected against viral replication in the lung, the researchers said.

NIAID Vaccine Research Center (VRC) scientists worked with investigators from the University of Texas at Austin to identify the atomic structure of the spike protein on the surface of the novel coronavirus.

This structure was used by Moderna in the development of the vaccine candidate, according to the researchers.

The latest study found that the investigational vaccine also induced robust CD8 T-cell responses in mice.

It did not induce the type of cellular immune response that has been linked to vaccine-associated enhanced respiratory disease (VAERD), according to the researchers.

This rare, allergic-type inflammation was seen in individuals vaccinated with a whole-inactivated respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) vaccine in the 1960s, they said.

The researchers explained that VAERD can occur when a vaccine induces an immune response that is not strong enough to protect against infection.

They vaccinated mice with sub-protective doses of mRNA-1273 and then challenged the mice with SARS-CoV-2.

The mice showed no evidence of enhanced lung pathology or excessive mucus production, indicating the vaccine did not cause enhanced disease, the researchers found.

> **This is a demonstration of how the power of new technology-driven concepts like synthetic vaccinology facilitates a vaccine development program that can be initiated with pathogen sequences alone**
>
> Study

The team noted that the data from these studies, combined with data from studies in non-human primates and Phase-1 clinical testing, support the evaluation of mRNA-1273 in clinical efficacy trials.

The researchers also explained how their prior research on a candidate MERS-CoV vaccine paved the way for a rapid response to the Covid-19 outbreak.

This week, another US biotech company, Novavax, announced its experimental Covid-19 vaccine elicited a robust immune response, producing more antibodies than are present in recovered patients, and with generally tolerable side-effects in its early-stage trial.

The company was given $1.6 billion by the US government last month to develop and fund the drug under Operation Warp Speed — but in terms of timeline it is behind other firms including Moderna and AstraZeneca which have entered the final stages of their trials.

EXFILE

Herbivores face higher extinction risk than predators

Herbivores face a higher risk of extinction than predators, whether they are mammals, birds or reptiles, according to an extensive study that was published this week. We take a look

24,500 species both living and extinct were taken into consideration for the paper in *Science Advances*

EXTINCTION RATE

The analysis suggest herbivores have suffered a higher extinction rate over the past 50,000 years compared to other parts of the food web

Contradicts earlier beliefs

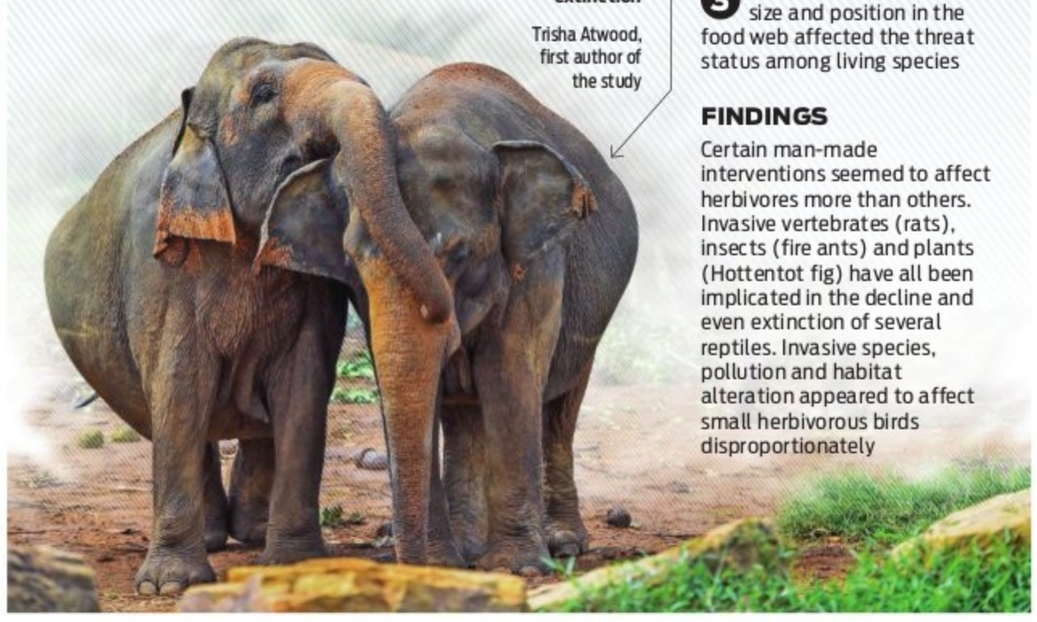
The study contradicts the idea, based on anecdotal evidence, that predators are the most vulnerable species

Why the belief?

Predators have extensive home ranges and slow population growth rates

Previous researches only focused on specific predators

Hence, many researchers assumed that predators are most at risk of extinction



SPECIES AT HIGHER RISK

The threat is greatest for reptile herbivores, such as turtles, and large herbivores, like elephants

A stag amongst a herd of deer in France | AFP

> **We scoured the scientific literature and collated the diet information for over 44,600 living and extinct animal species. This allowed us to finally build a dataset so we could determine which trophic level is at highest risk for extinction**
>
> Trisha Atwood, first author of the study

METHODOLOGY

1. Researchers first looked at modern day extinction risk patterns among herbivores, omnivores and predators in mammals, birds and reptiles at different levels of the food web
2. They performed the same analysis on species from the late Pleistocene epoch, beginning 11,000 years ago for Africa, North America and South America, and 50,000 years ago for Australia
3. They examined how body size and position in the food web affected the threat status among living species

FINDINGS

Certain man-made interventions seemed to affect herbivores more than others. Invasive vertebrates (rats), insects (fire ants) and plants (Hottentot fig) have all been implicated in the decline and even extinction of several reptiles. Invasive species, pollution and habitat alteration appeared to affect small herbivorous birds disproportionately

No insensitive nicknames for cosmic objects: NASA

NAMING REVIEW

WASHINGTON: NASA is examining its use of unofficial terminology for cosmic objects in a bid to do away with insensitive or harmful nicknames.

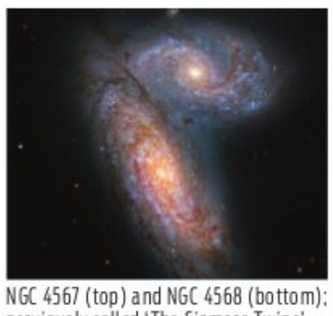
As an initial step, NASA will no longer refer to planetary nebula NGC 2392, the glowing remains of a Sun-like star that is blowing off its outer layers at the end of its life, as the 'Eskimo Nebula', the US space agency said on Wednesday.

"Eskimo" is widely viewed as a colonial term with a racist history, imposed on the indigenous people of Arctic regions.

Most official documents have moved away from its use. It will also no longer use the term 'Siamese Twins Galaxy' to refer to NGC 4567 and NGC 4568, a pair of spiral galaxies found in the Virgo Galaxy Cluster.

Moving forward, NASA said it will use only the official, International Astronomical Union designations in cases where nicknames are inappropriate.

The announcement came amid the Black Lives Matter movement gaining new momentum worldwide following the death of George Floyd, an unarmed African-American man, under police custody in Minnesota on May 25.



NGC 4567 (top) and NGC 4568 (bottom); previously called 'The Siamese Twins'

FACT OF THE MATTER

Germany to test travellers

HIGH RISK AREAS

Germany will require people arriving from countries deemed high risk, such as the US, to take coronavirus tests starting this weekend, health minister Jens Spahn said on Thursday, as the country recorded its highest daily tally of new infections in three months. German officials have voiced alarm over a steady upward creep in the number of new infections over recent weeks. People entering from countries deemed high-risk 'currently most of the world outside the EU, as well as Luxembourg, parts of northern Spain and the Belgian city of Antwerp' are already required to quarantine for 14 days unless they can present a negative test result no more than two days old.

Mont Blanc ice may break

EVACUATION ON

Several dozen people have been evacuated in northeastern Italy as a huge chunk of a glacier in the Mont Blanc massif threatens to break off due to high temperatures. The block of ice estimated at about 5,00,000 cubic metres from the Planpincieux glacier risked falling and threatening homes in Courmayeur, a resort community in Italy's Aosta Valley region, near the French border. Mayor Stefano Miserocchi on Wednesday ordered the evacuation of residents and tourists in the area at the foot of Mont Blanc, while closing roads leading to the Val Ferret valley below. Evacuation and security operations were under way by law enforcement forces on Thursday.

TODAY'S SPECIAL

An osprey carries a fish after making a catch in Grand Lake, Colorado, US, on Wednesday. Ospreys are one of the few bird species with a cosmopolitan distribution as they are found in all the continents, except Antarctica | AP

UK's 50 mn masks might not be safe

NOT THE RIGHT FIT

LONDON: The British government says it won't be using 50 million face masks it bought during a scramble to secure protective equipment for medics during the coronavirus outbreak because of concerns they might not be safe.

The masks were part of a $332 million contract the government signed with investment firm Ayanda Capital in April.

The papers filed in a court case reveal that the masks won't be distributed because they have ear loops rather than head loops and may not fit tightly enough.

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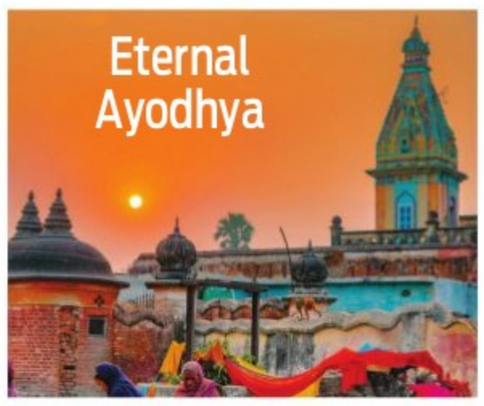

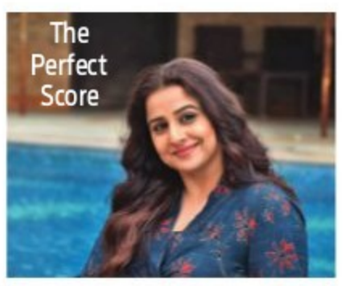

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CULTURAL THREAT

Mexican Prez inaugurates dam that floods indigenous sites

ROCK CARVINGS

MEXICO CITY: President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador inaugurated a dam in northern Mexico on Wednesday even though work was symbolically suspended by anthropologists because it is flooding thousand-year-old indigenous sites containing rock carvings and the remains of pre-Hispanic dwellings.

The Los Pilares dam is the latest in a series of government infrastructure projects that Lopez Obrador has promoted but that have caused divisions and anger in indigenous communities.

The area round the Mayo river in Sonora state is home to the Guarijio people, who also call themselves Macorahui. The Guarijio, of whom only a little over 2,000 remain, are divided over the dam. In a strange turn of events on Tuesday, authorities of the National Institute of Anthropology and History put suspension stickers on the Los Pilares dam, a move used to close building projects that threaten archaeological remains. However, the 73-yard (metre) high flood-control dam, which has cost about $75 million since construction started in 2013, is already built and water levels are rising behind it.

"As a serious institution, we had to send a warning that there is cultural legacy there that must be saved," said anthropologist Jose Luis Perea, director of the institute's office in Sonora.

Of the 44 sites identified in the area, 34 hold remains of homes or temporary camps. Eleven sites hold about 140 ancient rock carvings, which depict human, animal and abstract forms.

During an inspection of the sites at the beginning of August, "we realised that the dam has already flooded 10 sites with petroglyphs" and as many as 20 sites in total may soon be under water, Perea said. The suspension stickers were largely symbolic because archaeologists reached an agreement with local and federal water agencies to wait until Mexico's rainy season ends in October to allow water levels behind the dam to fall and rescue what they can from the ancient sites.

Archaeologists will study and remove 1,100-year-old ceramics and stone tools from the river valley and make three-dimensional models of the petroglyphs before water levels rise again. The models will be used to make reproductions. Removing the carvings appears out of the question.

The Guarijio, many of whom raise cattle, were promised benefits in return for allowing the dam, but it is unclear how much has reached them.